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Sgt. Christopher Selmek

Joseph D'Auteuil keeps twisting his way through the children's hula hoop contest at Area II's Labor Day block party. For related story, see Page 9.

Army Secretary outlines recruiting initiatives

By Sgt. Sara Wood

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – Recent Army recruiting problems don't constitute a crisis, and a number of initiatives are being implemented to bring recruiting numbers up, the secretary of the Army said. Meeting end-strength goals for the Army is a function of both recruiting and retention, Secretary of the Army Francis J. Harvey said in a recent Pentagon Channel interview.

While recruiting has been suffering, retention goals are already being exceeded. High retention rates reflect the quality of Soldiers in the Army and show their dedication to their mission, Harvey said. He noted that retention rates are highest in units that are deployed.

"Our Soldiers know that they're making a difference in theater, and that's a real tribute to the quality and capability of our Soldiers," he said. The active-duty Army recruiting goal of 80,000 Soldiers in 2005 is the highest it's been in five years, Harvey

said. The service missed monthly goals at the beginning of the year, he said, but the numbers for June, July and August have looked good.

"We're not going to make 80,000," he said. "But, because of our retention success, I would not characterize the situation in any way, shape or form as a crisis."

To prevent the situation from turning into a crisis, the Army has implemented several initiatives to improve recruiting, Harvey said. The first initiative, which has already been completed, was to increase active-duty recruiters by 25 percent, he said. Officials are also evaluating whether more will be needed in 2006.

In the area of financial benefits, Army officials are working with Congress to double the maximum amount for an initial recruitment incentive from \$20,000 to \$40,000, Harvey said. Other financial benefits being developed include a \$1,000 "finder's fee," which rewards Soldiers for recommending potential recruits.

Military joins in hurricane relief effort

More than 58,000 troops involved in recovery ops

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The 82nd Airborne Division has begun deploying about 2,700 paratroopers from Fort Bragg, N.C., to help with Hurricane Katrina disaster relief.

The 82nd headquarters, the 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, the 319th Field Artillery Regiment, as well as elements from the Division Support Command, 82nd Aviation Brigade, 307th Engineer Battalion and other units are deploying to Louisiana to support disaster-relief operations.

More than 17,000 active-duty servicemembers are now supporting the hurricane-relief efforts, in addition to almost 42,000 National Guard troops there and thousands more deploying, officials reported.

Elements of the 4th Infantry Division and 1st Cavalry Division from Fort Hood, Texas, are also assisting with the hurricane recovery. Helicopters and crews from Hood's 1st Air Cavalry Brigade are the lead Army aviation element of the military task force.



MASTER SGT. SCOTT REED

New Orleans evacuees board an Army National Guard helicopter, which will take them to Louis Armstrong International Airport Tuesday. Monday, more than 300 military helicopters were performing search-and-rescue missions and other humanitarian assistance tasks.

So far, the federal government has moved millions of commodities of water, ice and Meals Ready to Eat, or MREs, into the affected areas, totaling more than 125 tons of relief supplies, according to the Department of Homeland Security. As of Sept. 2, more than 4,500

lives had been saved, officials reported, more than 30,000 people had been assisted, and more than 222,000 refugees had been evacuated.

The military forces will provide support as requested by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and directed by the Department of Defense, officials said. They explained that typically that support includes humanitarian relief and activities including medical, logistical, and communications support, as well as clean-up assistance.

The United States Northern Command established Joint Task Force Katrina to act as the military's on-scene command in support of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Lt. Gen. Russell Honore, commander of the First Army out of Fort Gillem, Ga., is the JTF commander. JTF Katrina is currently based out of Camp Shelby, Miss.

USNORTHCOM provided the following updates on the disaster-relief operations:

■ Engineering teams are working to reopen the airfield at Naval Air Station Belle Chase to provide a

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Four years later: Recalling sacrifices of Sept. 11



Sunday, we mark the fourth anniversary of the tragic attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. In remembrance of the over 2,900 innocent victims of those attacks, I ask all members of the United States Forces Korea to observe one minute of silence.

Four years ago enemies of freedom committed an act of war against our country. They attacked the United States of America, because America is freedom's home and defender. America is a guiding

light and the promise of the future.

The terrorists believed their actions would disrupt America and make us fearful. The terrorists believed we would withdraw from the world our promise of optimism and hope, allowing them to impose their beliefs of intolerance and fanaticism.

While the terrorists attacked symbols of American strength and prosperity, they did not touch our core. In our moment of terrible darkness, a beacon guided our way: it was courage, generosity and steadfastness.

President Bush said Sept. 11, "Terrorist attacks cannot touch the foundation of America. These acts shatter steel, but they cannot dent the steel of American resolve."

Never has a statement been more true.

We were reminded that our fellow Americans are generous and kind, resourceful and brave. America is successful because of the hard work, and creativity, and enterprise of its people. These were the true strengths of our nation before Sept. 11, and they remain our strengths today.

The members of USFK are part of the greatest force for freedom in the history of the world — the Armed Forces of the United States. In the last few years of tumult and change, there is one thing that hasn't changed — and that is character of our men and women who wear the uniform.

Our military's success is due to the courage, honor and personal integrity of our servicemembers. But our success has not come without a cost. Over the last four years, men and women in uniform have given their lives serving the cause of freedom. Others have returned home with disabling injuries. We pay tribute to their service and we honor their selfless sacrifice. We will uphold the cause they served. We honor their memory. We will never forget.

On this day of remembrance, we thank God for the blessings and good fortune we enjoy as Americans. We ask him to watch over our nation and grant us continued patience and resolve in what is to come. We pray that he will comfort and console those who mourn and protect those who serve in harm's way. We look forward to the day when the world will live in peace and security.

GEN Leon J. LaPorte
Commander, UNC/CFC/USFK

Finding silver lining in darkest of clouds

By Staff Sgt. Mark Porter

Korean Region Office Public Affairs

Like most people I have talked to over the past week, much of my free time was spent in front of the television, watching the latest developments and updates concerning Hurricane Katrina.

Though I am half a world away from America, and the states devastated by last week's storms, I have been fascinated and saddened by the awesome display of nature's fury.

That a simple combination of wind and rain could overpower all man's technology and ability is humbling. Just as humbling has been watching as tens of thousands of people displaced by this monster storm regroup and begin to piece together their lives.

I have never been a big believer in the "every cloud has a silver lining," school of thought. I am all for looking on the bright side, but in my experience every bad thing does not come equipped with a built-in bright side. But Katrina has changed my mind a bit.

Seemingly since the rain stopped, people have been stepping forward to give all they can and do whatever is needed to help the citizens of Louisiana and Mississippi to recover. The military has certainly stepped forward -- as it always does in times of national crisis -- with more than 58,000 Soldiers involved in rescue and recovery missions related to the hurricane.

But it is not the government's response that impresses me. After all, military members are public servants. Helping those in need is a large part of what we are paid to do. No, what has impressed me is the support and contributions that have come from very unexpected sources.

The nation's corporate community is pitching in by providing tons of their products free of charge.

Though many consumers grouse that big businesses only worry about their bottom line, in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina the bottom line is helping those in need.

A spokesperson for the American Red Cross said 30 pharmaceutical companies are donating things such as antibiotics, pain relievers and vials of the Hepatitis A vaccine. Other companies are giving everything from food and water, to shampoo to walkie-talkies.

General Motors and Nissan are both sending vehicles to help with the relief effort, and Anheuser-Busch is contributing hundreds of thousands of cans of water.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce estimates that before it is all said and done corporate contributions will be well over \$100 million.

It doesn't take deep pockets to help, though. little towns -- and in some cases, little people - across the country are raising money to send to help the recovery effort in the Gulf Coast.

"More than 60 countries have now pledged assistance of some sort for the recovery effort."

In one Ohio town, a 10-year-old boy didn't wait for his community to organize a fundraiser. He sat up a booth in his front yard and sold lemonade for an hour, with all proceeds going to help hurricane survivors. He raised \$20. Though that amount may not do much to change someone's future, I would guess the story of how it was raised and by whom might do a lot to raise spirits in New Orleans.

Perhaps just as encouraging as the support coming from our countrymen has been the outpouring of aid volunteered from our international neighbors.

After decades of being on the giving end of disaster relief, and after years of hearing that our foreign policies and military activities have isolated us from the rest of the world, we are finding that America is not as isolated and disliked as many would have us believe.

In the wake of Hurricane Katrina, a half-billion dollars in relief funds is coming from Kuwait, the country the U.S.-led coalition liberated from Iraqi occupation in 1991. Another \$100 million is coming from Qatar. The 22-member Arab League is calling on Arab nations to provide hurricane relief.

The Chinese Foreign Ministry is pledging \$5 million to Katrina survivors. Austria, Belgium, Britain, Denmark, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Luxembourg, Finland, Italy, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Spain and The Netherlands have pledged assistance.

More than 60 countries have now pledged assistance of some sort for the recovery effort.

Hurricane Katrina was a disaster. But if there is a silver lining here it is that as we pull together and work to recover from this tragedy, we now see how many people are pulling with us.

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NEWS & NOTES

**Hurricane Katrina
Updates, Information****Red Cross Updates**

Red Cross offices throughout Korea have received calls concerning servicemembers with families affected by Hurricane Katrina. Due to a lack of telephone service in the affected areas, Red Cross officials suggest concerned persons seek information through family members outside of affected areas, or through e-mails.

Servicemembers may also check Red Cross updates on <https://www.redcross.org>. If there are any questions, contact the area Red Cross office.

Mail Temporarily Stopped

Effective immediately, the U.S. Postal Service is not accepting any Standard Mail or Periodicals Mail -- from any source -- addressed for delivery within the following three-digit ZIP Code ranges: 369, 393, 394, 395, 396, 700, 701 and 704. This emergency action has been taken as a result of severe facility damage, evacuations and other issues resulting from Hurricane Katrina. For information, check online at usps.com/communications/news/serviceupdates.htm.

AAFES Waives Payments, Interest

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service is waiving interest and suspending monthly payment requirements to Exchange Credit Program cardholders displaced by Hurricane Katrina.

"According to our records, there are approximately 15,000 accounts impacted in undeliverable zip codes," said AAFES' Treasurer Grant Morris. "No interest will be charged; and no payments will be due for an undetermined period of time. The interest rate and payment exclusion, will also apply to new purchases for an extended time period."

AAFES determined eligibility by matching accounts to the U.S. Postal Service's listing of impacted zip codes. Affected areas in Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi include:
ZIP CODE RANGES City / State
365XX-366XX Mobile, AL
369XX-393XX Meridan, MS
394XX Hattiesburg, MS
395XX Gulfport, MS
396XX McComb, MS
700XX-701XX New Orleans, LA
703XX Houma, LA
704XX Mandeville, LA

**Awana Clubs
Start Monday**

Awana Clubs, offering a variety of Christian-themed games, puppets, crafts, awards and other activities, is open to children pre-K to eighth grade, starting Monday. The weekly club will be open from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Training for volunteers is 8:30 a.m. Saturday at Yongsan Garrison's South Post Chapel.

CFSC employees welcome Katrina evacuees

By Tim Hipps

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Employees from the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center rushed to support military veterans who were evacuated from the Hurricane Katrina-ravaged Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport, Miss. and transferred Sept. 1 to its sister facility here.

About 240 veterans made the 19-hour ride on seven buses from Gulfport, arriving at the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington. They were greeted by service members and military civilians

"When I opened up my E-mail, it was almost flooded [by workers willing to help]," said CFSC building manager Jim Harris, who coordinated the effort for the Army's Morale, Welfare and Recreation headquarters in Alexandria, Va.

CFSC employees helped prepare rooms and welcome the displaced veterans to their temporary new home.

Many who came to the 276-acre facility in Northwest Washington said it was one of their most gratifying acts of humanity.

"A lot of work was done to prep the



TIM HIPPS

U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center employee Amparo Carrion pushes the wheelchair of a military veteran evacuated from the Hurricane Katrina-ravaged Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport, Miss., upon arrival Sept. 1 at the AFRH in Washington, D.C.

area here for them to come in so they'll have a comfortable place to rest their weary heads," CFSC's Bob Roadarmel said. "It's an experience that will just warm your heart."

"The outpouring was kind of like when [troops] got back from Desert Storm -- the flags, the people, the support. It's just really incredible," said Bill Sport, one of 38 CFSC employees who provided muscle and nurturing during a two-day span. "This is just an opportunity to give back and tell these guys we really appreciate what they've done. It's been wonderful."

The catch-phrase of the day was "Welcome to Washington -- you're home now," as the veterans disembarked from buses and made their way through two rows of people waving tiny American flags.

Timothy Cox, chief operating officer for the Armed Forces Retirement Homes in Washington and Gulfport, said the facility here would not have been ready without the effort, noting that thousands of people called to offer assistance.

"The response has just been overwhelming," he said. "We set up close to 400 rooms in about eight hours. It was all taken care of largely because of the volunteer force and we thank them from the insides of our hearts."

One day after cleaning bedrooms and bathrooms at the retirement home, Rochelle Jones was so touched that she hugged one of the first veterans off the bus. "It makes me happy knowing that I can give my time to someone in need," said Jones, a 19-year veteran of CFSC who also assisted during Desert Storm, Desert Shield and after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. "My heart was relieved that we could help them have a place to live."

Harris thinks the volunteers may have gained more than the evacuees.

"The feeling that you have when you [finish] lets you stand a little taller when you're shaving in the morning," he said. "I'm very humbled at the way the Community and Family Support Center folks earn their name every time they are called on."

(Editor's Note: Tim Hipps writes for CFSC public affairs)

AER to help hurricane victims

By LaDonna S. Davis

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — For those Soldiers, active and retired, and their family members who have been affected by Hurricane Katrina, Army Emergency Relief will assist with short-term needs such as food, lodging, clothing, gas, and other financial needs such as rent deposits and bill payment.

"As long as the emergency exists, we will assist," said Dennis Spiegel, deputy director of administration of Army Emergency Relief.

AER is a private nonprofit organization whose sole mission is to

help Soldiers and their dependents in times of financial hardships.

AER provides interest-free loans with delay-start repayment, as well as grants on an as-needed basis.

AER obtains most of its funds through donations from both the general public and the Army Family.

Donations can be sent to the Army Emergency Relief Headquarters at 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, Va. 22332.

Any military members or family affected by Hurricane Katrina who are in need of financial assistance can call the Army Emergency Relief. The toll free number is 1-866-878-6378.

Hotlines up for Soldiers, families hit by hurricane

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Families of Deployed Army National Guard Soldiers affected by Hurricane Katrina are asked to call 1-888-777-7731 so that Guard members can be informed of their family's situation.

Army Reserve family members and Soldiers affected by Hurricane Katrina also have a newly created call center. The toll free number for the center is 1-877-464-9330, or from a military phone DSN 367-9330.

Any military members or families in need of counseling services may call the Military One SOURCE number, 1-800-342-9647.

Any military members or family affected by Hurricane Katrina who are in need of financial assistance can call the Army Emergency Relief. The toll free number is 1-866-878-6378.

Hotline works both ways

Deployed servicemembers can also call the hotline to contact their families.

"If a servicemember calls in and asks us to find their family,

we'll call one or all of the services in that state and say, 'please connect, find the family and get back to us,' so we can let that servicemember know that they are all right," Baker said.

If deployed servicemembers cannot call one of the toll free numbers, they may be able to make contact through www.army.mil/ako or www.guardfamily.org Web sites.

Baker and his team of coordinators have already been successful in contacting deployed servicemembers with family information.

Many services available via hotline

In addition to helping Guard families and service members make contact, operators at the hotline can assist families in getting help and services from federal, state and local agencies.

"Once they call the hotline, the person can expect a live person to answer the phone, listen to their issue or concern, provide information, or provide a referral or outreach to another agency," Baker said. "Before we hang up the phone, we'll contact the Family Program director or other assisting agency while they are still on line and let them know, what

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MASTER SGT. JAMES BOWMAN

National Guard soldiers from 1st Battalion, 204th Air Defense Artillery Battalion, Newton, Miss., distribute Meals Ready to Eat and ice in Pascagoula, Miss., on Sept. 3, during humanitarian relief efforts after Hurricane Katrina.

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second runway for passenger and cargo operations.

■ In addition to Coast Guard aviation, the total number of helicopters participating in humanitarian operations along the Gulf Coast rose to 139 (78 DoD, 61 National Guard) with 17 additional aircraft en route.

■ The Dept. of Health and Human Services is coordinating to locate 10 mobile Federal Medical Shelter facilities on military installations along the Gulf Coast. Each facility can accommodate 250 patients. Four facilities will be positioned at Ft. Polk, La.; two at Naval Air Station Meridian, Miss.; two at Air National Guard Station Meridian, Miss.; and two at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

■ Joint Forces Command is providing Department of Defense leased property at the former England AFB in Louisiana as an intermediate staging base to support hurricane response in the state of Louisiana. This will serve as a staging point for National Guard personnel arriving

from other states to support the Louisiana relief efforts.

■ JTF-Civil Support is providing a joint planning augmentation cell to provide domestic chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, or high-yield explosive, known as CBRNE, consequence management planning capabilities to JTF-Katrina.

■ Defense Coordinating Officers and Defense Coordinating Elements in Baton Rouge, La. and Jackson, Miss., are serving as liaison between U.S. Northern Command, FEMA and the Department of Defense.

■ Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.; Naval Air Station Meridian, Miss.; Barksdale Air Force Base, La.; Alexandria, La.; and Ft. Polk, La.; are federal operational staging areas to expedite the movement of relief supplies and emergency personnel.

(Editor's note: Information taken from news releases by the 82nd Airborne Division, Department of Homeland Security, National Guard Bureau and U.S. Northern Command.)

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their issues are and what type of assistance they need. The two are then connected."

The assistance provided through the hotline is very extensive and all encompassing, Baker said. He added that National Guard Family Program personnel are deeply connected with numerous federal, state and local agencies. This partnership allows them to assist families with those operating in the immediate geographic location.

No matter what the problem or issue, Family Programs has the ability to find, contact and connect the family with the proper service, officials said, such as the American Red Cross, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, American Legion, Department of Veterans Affairs and other services operating in the area.

Aside from the hotline, Guard family members can contact their nearest Family Program Office by calling 1-800-342-9647.

Army Reserve hotline also 24/7

The Army Reserve call center phones will be manned 24 hours a day as of noon,

Sept. 2, officials said. Operators will take down information to aid deployed Army Reserve Soldiers in determining the status and whereabouts of their families affected by Hurricane Katrina.

Additionally, callers will be screened to determine what other assistance they may need. The call center will have information and will help guide callers to specific resources.

In addition to the 1-877 phone number, there is a Web site established where families of deployed/mobilized Army Reserve Soldiers and Army Reserve Civilians may provide their current contact information. The address of the Web page is <http://www.arfp.org>. The Web site also provides information and links to the many agencies providing specific relief to those in need.

Army Reserve Soldiers and Army Reserve Civilians who have been dislocated as a result of the hurricane should also call the number, officials said, or log into the Web site to aid in establishing accountability.

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Warriors enjoy Labor Day block party



Salsa star Tito Puente Jr. entertains the audience at Camp Casey's block party Monday night.



Spc. Sonya Hackman competes in the Camp Red Cloud "Military Idol" competition Monday afternoon.

Area I Public Affairs

CAMP RED CLOUD — Soldiers, civilians and family members of Area I celebrated the Labor Day holiday with block parties over the weekend.

Local band Marantha kicked off the party in the Mitchell's Club parking lot at Camp Red Cloud Monday. Next on the stage was the 2nd Infantry Division Show Band, playing a mix of modern and classic songs.

In the late afternoon, the 2nd Infantry Division Tae Kwon Do Team wowed the audience with an acrobatic display of their fighting skills.

Soldiers had plenty of opportunities to beat the heat. Some got down and dirty in a mud volleyball tournament, while others took the plunge in a dunk booth to earn money for their company.

Better Opportunity for Single and unaccompanied Soldiers representatives were on hand to sell food and beverages.

On Camp Casey, latin star Tito Puente Jr. lit up the stage with his salsa performance Monday night.

The highlight of both events was the preliminary round of the on-going "Military Idol" singing competition.



Spc. Ethan "Smitty" Smith, Company B, Special Troops Battalion, takes one for the team and braves the dunk booth to help raise money for his company.



Members of the 2nd Infantry Division Show Band play a mix of modern and classic hits to entertain the crowd at Camp Red Cloud's Labor Day block party Monday.



A fighter leaps over his teammates to break two boards during the 2nd Infantry Division Tae Kwon Do Team's demonstration at the Camp Red Cloud Labor Day block party Monday.



Sgt. Thomas Gerrard (left), Spc. Brandon Reasin (center) and Sgt. Jeffrey Howard aren't afraid to get a little dirty during the mud volleyball competition on Camp Red Cloud.

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Firefighters perform gear test

By David McNally

Area I Public Affairs

CAMP RED CLOUD — Area I firefighters are almost finished with an annual test to guarantee the perfect working condition of their respirators.

"It's something every firefighter goes through," said Fire Chief Jerry Epperson, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Casey.

The respirator protects firefighters from smoke inhalation. Epperson said the mask has to seal on the individual firefighter perfectly.

Area I Safety Office inspectors are responsible for training, inspecting and repairing emergency equipment.

"Sometimes we find problems," said Chang Sun-tok, Area I safety inspector. "If the firefighter wants to repair or replace parts, we can do that at the annual test."

Chang started traveling to each Area I fire department in mid-July. She hooks up a laptop computer and high-tech calibration gear to an interface, which screws onto the respirator.

"This checks the leaking," Chang said. "If there is some defect, a cracked or broken seal, we will find it."

Chang will complete the final tests at two Western Corridor fire departments by mid-September.

"I'm happy to know my gear passed the test," said Pak Chan-chun, a Rodriguez Range firefighter.

Pak has been on the job for five years. He said it's very important for him to have faith in his gear.

During his test, Chang replaced

Pak's old rubber seal with a new one that fit better.

During the 15-minute test routine, industry-standard computer software, "FitPlus," prompts the firefighter through a series of exercises, such as: normal and deep breathing, moving the head from side to side and up and down, talking out loud, grimacing, and toe touches.

Safety officials said the software tracks each individual in a database.

"We only have one machine like this in all of Area I," Chang said. "It's very expensive test equipment."

Chang said besides the annual respirator fit test, she administers two other programs, training and medical evaluations.

"This equipment is very important

when we fight fires," said Kwak Sang-wol, Rodriguez Range firefighter. "Our lives depend on it."

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The PortaCount Plus device measures the effectiveness of emergency gear.



PHOTOS BY DAVID MCNALLY

Firefighter Pak Chan-chun tests his respirator during an annual safety review Aug. 30.

Officials discuss upcoming entertainment

Area I Public Affairs

CAMP CASEY — Area I and Camp Casey garrison officials met Aug. 30 to discuss upcoming morale, welfare and recreation issues.

"We're here today to do a performance management review of what's coming up in the community," said James Allen, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Casey MWR director.

The review provided an opportunity for the MWR staff to brief the new garrison commander, Lt. Col. Terry Hodges.

Officials said they reviewed all of the upcoming events to include a Wednesday visit by the Harlem Globetrotters, a Sept. 17 talent show called "Stars of Tomorrow," and the U.S. Army Soldier Show Sept. 23-24.

"Our mission is to enable the well-being of Soldiers, civilians and their family members," Allen said.

"The Harlem Globetrotters should be a great show," he added. "If you haven't seen it, you should."

The show will begin at 7 p.m. in the Carey Physical Fitness Center.

Allen also encouraged everyone to attend the U.S. Army Soldier Show, since it only comes to Korea every other year.

This year's Soldier Show features two Soldiers

from Korea, including Spc. Christopher Ekstrom of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Area I, Camp Red Cloud.

The business meeting also covered the status of different MWR facilities at the Camp Casey Enclave.

Casey Lodge manager Gordon Niederhauser updated the group on the status of the facility.

"August occupancy was at 97 percent," Niederhauser reported. "In July, we had 94 percent of our rooms filled."

The lodge is scheduled to undergo \$790,000 in renovation to 25 rooms. The renovations will include two new ice machines.

"We're looking to have a soft-opening of the renovated wing by the end of October," Niederhauser said.

All rooms are currently equipped with kitchenettes, a sleeper loveseat, DVD player and high-speed Internet access.

The meeting also gave officials the opportunity to discuss the upcoming Chuseok holiday schedules.

Hodges said he wants to make sure all entertainment and recreation facilities do not close at the same time so Soldiers have recreation opportunities over the weekend.

Buses will run on normal weekend and holiday schedules.

The Korean holiday will be celebrated Sept. 17-19 this year.

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— James Allen

NEWS & NOTES

September FAST Class

The Camp Red Cloud Education Center will hold the FAST Class for GT-score improvement Sept. 19-23. Those interested in taking the class must take the pre-TABE test, offered 8 a.m. every Monday at the education center. The deadline for registering for this class is Sept. 16.

Commissary Case Lot Sale

All Area I commissaries will hold a case lot sale Saturday and Sunday. Check your local commissary for times, or visit www.commissaries.com.

Power Outage Scheduled

A power outage is scheduled for 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday and 1 - 1:15 p.m. Sunday for maintenance. The outage will affect all of camps Casey, Mobile and Nimble.

Tuesday Night Football

Camp Red Cloud's Mitchell's Club will begin hosting Tuesday Night Football this week. Wide screen televisions in both rooms will broadcast the latest games, and drinks and popcorn will be offered in the banquet room. Prizes will be given away at halftime.

Stars of Tomorrow

The Area I Entertainment Office will host the Stars of Tomorrow talent show 7 p.m. Oct. 8 at Camp Casey's Gateway Club. Those interested in participating can sign up at your local Community Activities Center.

Chuseok Bank Closure

All Community Bank centers will be closed Sept. 17 in observance of the Korean Chuseok Holiday.

Commissary Closure

The Camp Red Cloud Commissary will be closed Sept. 18-19 in observance of the Korean Chuseok Holiday.

Religious Retreat

The Area I chaplaincy is hosting a religious retreat Sept. 21-23. Buses will provide transportation from camps Casey and Red Cloud. For information, contact your local chaplain.

Safety Training

The Safety Certification Class for additional duty unit safety officers and noncommissioned officers will be at Building S-1504, Camp Casey at 1 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month. For more information, call 730-4234.

Correction

An article about a new service number for appliance repair ran on Page 6 of the Aug. 26 edition of The Morning Calm Weekly. The article neglected to mention that the repair number service is also available for Department of the Army civilians in Area I.

Singing servicemen compete in 'Military Idol'

By Spc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs

CAMP RED CLOUD — Fifteen Soldiers and one airman competed Monday in the preliminary round of Warrior Country's first "Military Idol" singing competition.

The event was held in conjunction with the Labor Day block party in the Mitchell's Club parking lot.

Competitors took to the Morale, Welfare and Recreation stage one at a time to try their talents before a panel of three judges and an audience of their peers.

Each singer had a minimum of one-and-a-half



Sgt. George Mourtos performs his version of Kenny Rogers' classic song "The Gambler."

minutes and a maximum of four-and-a-half minutes to impress the judges with a song of their choosing. All songs were sung without musical accompaniment.

"I was so nervous," said Pfc. Travis Bishop, Company B, Special Troops Battalion, of his time on stage. "I'm just glad I didn't choke - that was my biggest fear."

While most of the competitors had butterflies about performing, some were confident of their skills.

"Yeah, I'm a little nervous," said Spc. Sonya Hackman, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Area I, "but I'm also confident. Singing is not something you learn; it's something you are born with. It's a gift, and I am lucky enough to have the gift."

"The judges are being kind of tough, though," she added. "Especially the female one."

The three judges for this round of competition assumed the personalities of the judges on popular reality television show "American Idol."

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jeffrey Larson, 2nd Infantry Division Band commander, played the role of music mogul Randy Jackson, while Sgt. Maj. Ricardo Soto-Acevedo, Area I sergeant major, filled the role of songstress Paula Abdul, "the nice one." MWR Director Denise James had the toughest shoes

to fill by playing up to producer Simon Cowell's infamous rudeness.

"It's interesting that I ended up playing Simon, because I am the one always encouraging people to get out there and try things," James laughed. "But don't worry - I didn't judge the contestants based on the things I said. I didn't have to be Simon - just act like him."

Of the 16 contestants, 10 were chosen to move on to the next round of competition Sept. 30. There, they will face off against 10 others from Camp Casey's preliminary round, also held Monday outside the Gateway Club. Ten crooners will be chosen to compete in the final competition the next day, where just one winner will be selected.

The winner of the Area I Military Idol competition will be awarded \$500 and a plane ticket to Fort Gordon, Ga., to compete in the military-wide Military Idol competition.

Hackman was one of the competitors who made it to the next round.

"There's a lot of good competition, but I'm not worried," she said. "I will be the first Military Idol."

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Contestant Spc. Sonya Hackman (right) waits for the judges to critique her performance while Sgt. 1st Class Sherinette Haynes, the host of the competition, looks on.



Sgt. Maj. Ricardo Soto-Acevedo (center) gives his remarks as one of the judges for the Military Idol competition Monday. Soto-Acevedo played the role of Paula Abdul, the "nice judge."

Casey soccer team places third in Korean tournament

By Staff Sgt. Daniel Roman

Headquarters, 8th U.S. Army

DONGDUCHEON —The Camp Casey Post soccer team represented the enclave Aug. 14-15 in the Annual Dongducheon Area Soccer Tournament, marking the first time an American team has played in the Korean tournament.

After receiving a preliminary round bye, the Casey team opened play Aug. 14 with a scrappy 2-0 win. Casey's speed and agility were the deciding factors in game one, keeping the smaller Korean team on the defensive. Though all of Casey's 19 players participated in the win, center Edmond Lubin, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery Regiment, was the most valuable player of the first match. Lubin lead the way for his team with a goal and an assist.

Play in the quarterfinal matches began 9 a.m. August 15. During the first half of Casey's first match of the day, both teams appeared sluggish. The team became frustrated after shooting wide of the net on several occasions. The half ended with their opponent leading 1-0, having scored on a 50-meter penalty kick.

After the halftime break, however, Casey came out smoking to score three unanswered goals. Play was led by Wayne Collins, 6-37 FA, who scored the tying goal and assisted on another. Collins' skillful play prompted tournament officials to honor him as Tournament MVP.

"The guys really came together as a unit," Collins said afterward. "There were still things to work on, but we had the team approach going."

Having made it into the final four tournament, the Casey team found itself among the elite of Dongducheon soccer. In the game's early moments, striker Mark Cunningham, 2nd Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, swiftly broke past defenders on the left flank and drilled the ball into the net off his right outstep to give Casey a 1-0 lead. The goal turned out to be Casey's one and only, as the opposing team Shin-on's keeper turned back strike after strike. The Shin-on keeper is renowned as one of Korea's best, having played successfully at the professional level.

The ball continued up and down the field, and both teams had several hard

shots on goal. Two penalty kicks presented Shin-on with a chance to win. A Shin-on striker netted the first kick, but Casey keeper Thomas Seel, 1st Battalion, 15th Field Artillery Regiment, made a diving kick to save the second and send the game into a tie-breaking shootout. Four of the five Casey strikers scored; Shin-on did one better, however, with five out of five.

"It was really hard play," remarked Cpl. Park J Y, 1st Battalion, 38th Field Artillery Regiment, pointing to the intensity and competitiveness that characterized the final four play. "Shin-on has played together for a long time, beginning in junior high here in Dongducheon."

The Casey team ended the event with a third-place finish, while the Shin-on team went on to win the tournament.

Still, said team captain Edwin Humerez, 1-15 FA, "this was an outstanding tournament, especially for our first outside of camp."

Prior to the tournament, the Camp Casey post team had been the undefeated champions in home-and-home series games against Dongducheon opponents. Throughout the summer, the Casey squad defended their title by playing sound team soccer with a sleek passing game, stealthy defense and keen frontline striking ability. However, the team's complexion changed dramatically in the last month when three of its key players moved and several new players transferred in from the Camp Stanley team.

Player Winston Gomez, 302nd Brigade Support Battalion, said the turnover, "caused us to shift some players to new positions, which made it a little bit harder to adapt; but overall we did great."

Gomez, a mainstay for Casey since May 2004, has played in all of the team's matches against local teams.

"It has been just great, making friends and integrating with the Koreans in the community," he said.

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Area II unwinds with Labor Day block party

By Sgt. Christopher Selmek

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YONGSAN — Attracted by food, games and loads of entertainment, about 1,100 people were drawn to the Area II Labor Day Block Party Sunday at Yongsan.

Nearly 700 attended the Tito Puente Jr. show, which featured a fusion of latin, jazz and dance music.

During the day, Child and Youth Services became a heavy focus of the event, hosting such events as a Hapkido demonstration, a hula hoop contest and a limbo contest, but the intent of Labor Day remained the same, to give recognition to the American worker.

"Labor Day celebrates the workers of

America and is meant to be a day of relaxation," said Morale, Welfare and Recreation Director Paul Robinson. "Everybody gets a day off in recognition for their hard work and for the Soldiers we expand it into a four-day weekend.

"This is the end of the summer and the weather is going to get worse from here," he continued. "This is nearly the last day people can get out and have barbecues and play outside, so it's really good to be able to enjoy it like this."

The event was emceed by Better Opportunities for Single and unaccompanied Soldiers President Spc. Danielle Colson and Camp Colbern Community Activities Center Manager Eric Yim, who had their own reasons for being out that day.

"The best thing is the community involvement and the chance to meet people," said Colson. "We work hard all week, so this is a good way to relax and enjoy the Labor Day celebration."

"Everybody is having a good time and walking around very relaxed," said Yim. "It's a good day to be out having fun."

Many units were able to raise money with booths set up selling soda and hot dogs, including the Family Readiness Group of the recently deployed 305th Quartermaster Company, for whom the celebration also had a therapeutic value.

"It makes me feel at home," said Aidaliz Ortiz, working at the FRG booth. "I've been in Korea for five years now and a big celebration like this makes me feel good and remember all the other celebrations and good times going on back home."

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Tito Puente Jr. enlivens the crowd to the beat of his Spanish style music. Puente was the headline act at the Labor Day block party, Sunday in the Main Post Club parking lot.



Above: Dozens of children drift out onto the dance floor following the start of Tito Puente Jr.'s act.

Right: The Child and Youth Services Hapkido demonstration team puts its best foot forward to display their fighting and martial prowess to their parents.



Ashley Gattis flexes her limbo muscles and edges out the competition to win the children's limbo contest.

Military Idol discovers talent in Area II

By Pvt. Lee Yang-won

Area II Public Affairs

YONGSAN — The first round of the Area II Military Idol contest gave Yongsan Soldiers a chance to show off their talents at the Main Post Club Uptown Lounge Sept. 1.

Six contestants were given between 90 seconds and four minutes to sing a cappella and show off their talents in front of three judges and a very excited crowd, a variation

of the popular television show "American Idol."

"I love to sing," said Spc. Danika Lashae Florence, an admin specialist with U. S. Forces Korea J-37 Exercise Division. "I've been performing my whole life. This kind of contest helps me build my talent and enhance what I've got inside myself."

"It takes a lot of nerves being on stage in front of lots of people," said Spc. Orlandus White, the first contestant to go on stage and sing "Please Don't Go" by Boyz 2 Men. "I was very nervous and couldn't think a thing. I just didn't want to go flat."

This contest was the first round in the quest for the ultimate prize. There are three more rounds leading up to the Sept. 30 final round. Round two was scheduled to take place at the Main Post Club at 7 p.m. Thursday and the semifinal will be held at 9 p.m. Sept. 23. The final round will be 9 p.m. Sept. 30.

When round two comes along the contestants will not only be graded by the judges but also by those gathered to watch the competition. The scores will consist of half a piece each between the judges and the crowd.

The ultimate winner will get \$500 and another \$500 for his or her unit and will be sent to Fort Gordon, Ga., for a chance to compete for a \$1,000 prize.

A late entry created an unexpected turn of events, as the judges were already in the process of tallying scores, but

decided to allow her to perform anyway. Although she claimed to have come unprepared, the judges were still impressed with the outstanding performance.

"I've never competed in this kind of event before," said Rita Mills, the late entry. "I just sing for a hobby. Well, I could've done better with music on."

The master of ceremonies said he also enjoyed the night. "We had a lot of good contestants, nice riding music, different styles and genres," said Eric Franklin, American Forces Network Korea assignment editor and show host. "It was nice to see all the contestants who got to go forward, so we could actually hear how they work with the music. It was nice to see people who didn't win try again. For the troops, this kind of event gives them a reason to get out of their rooms to feel like they have something they could do outside of work and something to be proud of."

"It's good to see a lot people having fun in the club," said Mario Farrulla, director of community recreation. He said that this kind of contest gives people a lot of fun and motives to come back to the club.

Every contestant who participated in the first round advanced to the next. Friends and families are greatly encouraged to come to the second round to cheer and also to vote for their favorite contestant.



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Spc. Danika Florence sings with passion during the Military Idol contest Sept. 1 at the Main Post Club.

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U.S. Army Soldier Show comes to Yongsan

By Tim Hipps

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FORT BELVOIR, Va. — Coming Sept. 17 and 18 to Yongsan Garrison, the 2005 U.S. Army Soldier Show will unveil “Operation America Cares,” a 90-minute song and dance production that expresses the importance of giving deployed Soldiers a touch of home.

The Soldier Show performances will begin at 7 p.m. each night, at Collier Field House.

After opening with three shows at Fort Belvoir, the 19-Soldier troupe is scheduled for 102 performances across America, Korea and at Camp Zama, Japan. The six-and-a-half-month tour will end Nov. 13 back at Fort Belvoir, home of the Army Entertainment Division.

Along the way, the Soldier Show is scheduled to deliver “entertainment for the Soldier, by the Soldier” at the Armed Forces Retirement Home, Warner Theatre and the 230th U.S. Army Birthday Ball in Washington, D.C.; the 45,000-seat Tacoma Dome near Fort Lewis, Wash.; and the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

“The message of the show is that it doesn’t matter how tough we are and it doesn’t matter how fit to fight we are, Soldiers are still human and longing for the familiar and America’s affection,” Soldier Show director Victor Hurtado said.

The cast and crew will attempt to bring his vision to life with musical genres rhythm and blues, new rock, country, gospel, eclectic new wave/new age, patriotic and newly arranged movie themes. Calling the show “our gift to the American Soldier,” Hurtado stresses his desire to leave audiences with a sense of newfound knowledge.

Sgt. Chaney Mosely of Fort Dix, N.J., sings Bowling For Soup's "1985" during rehearsals for the 2005 U.S. Army Soldier Show.

“It’s not just about singing and dancing; it’s about each audience

member getting something out of it – being entertained, being moved, being inspired,” he said. “We want to give them something to think about until next year – lift their spirits and grow their minds.”

The show will focus on how Soldiers deal with the stresses of war and long deployments, Hurtado said. In one scene, a crate stuffed with recreation kits arrives from the Army’s Morale, Welfare and Recreation headquarters.

“The show is really going to focus on how we take ‘home’ to the deployed Soldiers,” said Hurtado, who performed in the Soldier Show from 1986 through ’89 while on active duty.

While DVDs and CDs can help Soldiers combat stress, nothing boosts morale quite like personal contact from home, Hurtado said. The reinforcing feeling that everything is OK often makes a world of difference.

“I would say the popularity of the show has grown exponentially and it has a different face now,” said Hurtado, who has built upon the “Heart of a Soldier” theme of last year’s show by sticking with a military storyline. “We’re going to continue with our efforts to not just humanize the Soldier to the American public but to show the different facets of a Soldier.”

“We want to recognize that they’re over there protecting us,” said executive producer Joey Beebe, a former Soldier Show performer in his fourth season on the production team. “To immortalize them in our show is our way of showing that we understand and recognize what they’re doing for this country.”

More than 400 Soldiers submitted applications to perform in the Soldier Show. Twenty-five were invited for live auditions, and 16 made the show. Three audio and lighting technicians will accompany them on tour.

Staff Sgt. Joanne Makay, a member of the 2003 cast, is the lone returning Soldier Show performer. During her last tour, she sang “Heat Wave,” “Something Worth Leaving



PHOTO BY TIM HIPPS

1st Lt. Heather Gross of Fort Campbell, Ky., is front and center as 2005 U.S. Army Soldier Show performers sing Christina Aguilera and Missy Elliot's version of "Car Wash" during rehearsals.

Behind,” and a medley of Irvin Berlin’s tunes.

“She has quite a presence in the show,” Hurtado said of Makay, who sang with Wynonna Judd at the 2003 U.S. Army Birthday Ball.

From one of AED’s sister programs, the Army’s Margaret “Skipper” Lynn Stars of Tomorrow Talent Contest, Hurtado discovered Spc. Allison Carpenter, Spc. Chris Ekstrom, 1st Lt. Christina Fanitzi, Spc. Rondi Edward, Staff Sgt. Kent Kramer and Spc. David Linson II.

Berlin, a Russian immigrant named Israel Beilin who is best known for “White Christmas” and “God Bless America,” wrote the first U.S. Army Soldier Show while on active duty at Camp Upton in Long Island, N.Y. Named “Yip Yip Yaphank,” the show appeared on Broadway in 1918. During World War II, Berlin created another Soldier show for Broadway: “This is the Army,” which became a 1943 film featuring a military cast with stars Ronald Reagan and Joe Louis. At the request of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the show toured for three years, performing for troops stationed in Europe and the Pacific.

The U.S. Army Soldier Show is one of more than 50 programs provided to Soldiers and their families by the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center in Alexandria, Va.

Korean employee recalls benefactors at catastrophic accident

By Cpl. Seo Ki-chul

Area II Public Affairs

YONGSAN — After five American Soldiers helped a young Korean accident victim years ago, they vanished. The car accident victim, now an Area II employee, wants to find and thank them.

“I want to meet the anonymous American Soldiers who helped one humble guy they never knew only by the name of humanity, as their fathers and uncles did during the Korean War to keep the peace on this peninsula,” said Solyun Youn, a clerk from Area II Support Activity School-Age Services.

Youn recounted the terrible accident he had on his way back home after playing in an ice hockey game in 1998.

“I drove to Seoul after the game in Boon Dang,” said Youn. “It was lightly raining and I got onto the highway being jammed up with cars.”

Suddenly, two cars in front of Youn slid left to right. He tried to stop his car but the rain caused him to slide into the

bus-only lanes. A bus rear-ended Youn’s car. Before everything was over, six more cars were involved.

Youn said his car was crushed from the back to the front with him pressed against the steering wheel. He was unconscious. He regained consciousness briefly and remembers the smell of ammonia. A crowd had gathered around him.

“Somebody asked me if I was okay in English and I said I might be. But I lapsed into unconsciousness again and woke up in a hospital with my wife and parents sitting beside me,” said Youn. “They cried and smiled at the same time because I was alive.”

According to the police officer who investigated the accident, about five American Soldiers had helped at the chaotic scene to extract Youn from his car. The Soldiers faded away as soon as they put him into an ambulance.

“The smell of ammonia must have been a sort of emergency treatment the Soldiers used to get me awake,” Youn said. “I was able to survive thanks to them.”

Due to serious head, back and chest injuries, Youn had to quit his job with the Korean government and pay a lot of money for his hospital bills. His recovery took one year.

He said his point of view has absolutely changed after the accident.

“I realize the importance of being alive and better understand how our own existence affects others,” he said.

Seven years later, Youn applied and was hired for a position as clerk at Yongsan School-Age Services. He began working for Area II in December taking care of servicemembers’ elementary school children and was promoted in mid-August and now works in the middle school teen center computer lab.

“First of all, I want to say ‘thank you’ to



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Solyun Youn talks to a customer at Yongsan School Age Services, where he works as a clerk.

those who saved my life,” Youn said. “I know it might be impossible to pay the cost for a human life, but I wish I could treat them to dinner with my family.”

Youn said he truly appreciates American Soldiers who serve with U. S. Forces Korea for their dedication in keeping his family and everyone else safe.

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Area II supports troops during UFL

By Sgt. Christopher Selmek

Area II Public Affairs

YONGSAN — Four Life Support Areas, with the combined capacity to support over 1,200 Soldiers during tactical operations, have blossomed up across Area II in support of Ulchi Focus Lens.

The LSA's at the Walker Center, Camp Coiner, Command Post Tango and Special Operations Command Korea have maximum capacities for 340, 580, 102 and 220 Soldiers respectively, and are tasked to provide quality living operations for any tactical operation, according to LSA Coordinator Sgt. Maj. Rickey Rose.

The Area II Support Activity personnel planned for months to handle the surge of people arriving for the annual exercise.

"It's a big mission and we have to provide everything needed to raise a city from the ground up," said Rose. "The LSA becomes a billets and Morale, Welfare and Recreation support facility just like the barracks, with all the amenities of life the residents could need."

Rose cites that it takes about two months and \$600,000 from start to finish to establish and operate the LSAs.

"The most difficult part is actually standing everything up," he said. "We

started raising tents June 23 and only just finished Aug. 11. The infrastructure is the most complicated and time-consuming part, everything after that is just moving people in and getting them to abide by the policies we have already put in place."

Following the construction, control is handed to 498th Corps Support Battalion, which is tasked with providing daily operations of the LSAs.

"We provide sleeping areas, showers, bathrooms, laundry service, transportation to the dinning facilities, trash removal and do whatever we can to provide high quality customer service support to LSA occupants," said Staff Sgt. Dane Floyd, LSA mayor for Camp Coiner. "We support the operation through all those things. We give the guys a place to come home to."

Floyd describes the LSA as the center of activity on Yongsan, but also said it is a work in progress. His job is to manage the whole facility and to ensure that everything is operating properly.

"This is a great place to stay, especially compared to a field environment," he said. "The things they have here provide all the creature comforts they are used to in a living area and it also takes a lot of work to maintain."



Sgt. Christopher Selmek

Master Sgt. Louis Hicks explains the rules of the Life Support Area to a group of new Marines arriving on Yongsan in support of Ulchi Focus Lens, Aug. 31 in the Morale, Welfare and Recreation tent of the Camp Coiner LSA.

Area II MWR provided books, popcorn, games, videos and other entertainment at LSA recreation tents.

According to Floyd, the MWR tent is perhaps the most popular feature of the camp, with five Internet terminals, four DSN phone lines and a big screen television for watching movies or sports. The tent operates around the clock and has people using the facilities 24 hours a day.

"Most of the time people come in here to use the Internet or the

phone," said Spc. Kevin Patton, 498th CSB. "We're like their point of contact for dealing with their friends and family back home."

"The other LSAs I've been at were all on mud," said Lance Cpl. Ethan Hoaldrige, U.S. Marine Forces Pacific. "The hard facilities here are much nicer and I've never gotten popcorn in an MWR tent before. The tents are actually very nice."

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Soccer and Flag Football League

The Area II Intramural Soccer and the Area II Intramural Flag Football Leagues start Saturday. For information, call 736-4032.

Bake Sale

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Area II Support Activity will host a bake sale Friday and Saturday inside the main entrance of the PX during PX hours.

Free Concert and Workshop

Oregon Catholic Press composer, performer and clinician Tom Kendzia will host a weekend of music, Friday and Saturday at Memorial Chapel. He will host a concert at 7 p.m. Friday and will be conducting a music workshop at 9 a.m. Saturday. Everyone is invited to participate in either or both days. There is no cost involved. Parking will be limited so carpooling is recommended. For information, contact Gene Behrends at 319-2683 or by e-mail at parrotdad@hotmail.com.

Case Lot Sale

The Yongsan Commissary is holding a Mega Case Lot Sale 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Sunday. Come out and enjoy great savings on all your favorite brands. For information, call 736-7070.

Newcomers Orientation

The dates for the September Army Newcomers Orientation will be changed to Monday - Wednesday due to the Chuseok Holiday. For information, call 738-7505.

Harlem Globetrotters to visit Yongsan

The world-famous Harlem Globetrotters basketball team will be at the Yongsan PX lobby noon - 1 p.m. Wednesday for a photo and autograph session. For information, call 738-5254.

POW/MIA Recognition Day at Yongsan

United States Forces Korea will host a ceremony 2 p.m. Thursday on Knight Field in recognition of National Prisoner Of War/Missing In Action Recognition Day. This event is held every year to honor all Americans who are former prisoners of war, servicemembers and civilians still unaccounted for and their families, all of whom have made extraordinary sacrifices on behalf of their country. Ceremony host is Lt. Gen. Charles C. Campbell, chief of staff, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/USFK and commander, Eighth U.S. Army. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held at the Collier Field House. Former POWs and their family members and family members of those still unaccounted who are able to attend as special guests are asked to provide their name and telephone number to the USFK Public Affairs Office at 723-6367/4685 by Monday.

NEO Training & Exercise Brief

The Area II Non-combatant Evacuation Operation, or NEO, team will conduct a day of training and briefings Tuesday at Theater 1, Multipurpose Training Facility. From 9 a.m.-noon, training will be focused on newly assigned NEO reps and wardens. At 1 p.m., a briefing will be given to all assigned NEO reps, wardens and site personnel on the upcoming

COURAGEOUS CHANNEL NEO exercise. The end-of-October exercise promises to be unlike any in recent memory, according to NEO officials. Commanders and supervisors are highly encouraged to support their NEO personnel's attendance at this briefing. Point of contact for the Area II NEO team is Master Sgt. Jim Hardin at 738-5013.

Soldier Show volunteers

Area II MWR needs 10-15 volunteers at the Sept. 18 Soldier Show to assist packing production equipment into trucks. Sign-up at the Moyer Community Activity Center. For information, call 738-5254.

Field Sanitation Course

The 38th Medical Detachment (Preventative Medicine) will offer a 40-hour Field Sanitation Team Training Course Sept. 26 - 30. Maximum enrollment per unit is two, and seating is limited. Reserve seats in advance by providing a memorandum with name, rank, date of entry into service, social security number and Military Occupational Specialty to cheryl.featherston@kor.amedd.army.mil or fax to 724-6256 no later than two weeks prior to the course. Attending personnel should have more than six months time remaining in country upon completion of the course. Personnel should bring a one-quart canteen with cup and a copy of Field Manual 4-25.12 (Field Sanitation Team Training) to class. For information, call Staff Sergeant Featherston at 724-6276.

Passport Services

The Yongsan Legal Assistance Office now offers passport services. The total cost for a new adult passport is \$97, \$82 for a minor, and there is no charge for a military passport if the applicant has a DD 1056 signed in blue ink and sponsors orders to Korea. First-time applicants need two two-by-two photos, an original birth certificate and a photo ID. Passport renewals require the expired passport instead of the birth certificate. For information, call 738-6841.

Photo Contest

The 2005 Korea-wide photo contest is open to all U.S. servicemembers on active duty, Army reserve, family members, retirees and Department of Defense civilians. Deadline is Sept. 30 and the award ceremony will be Oct. 25. There are five categories to enter: people, places, things, military life and experimental processes. In addition, the three classes will be black and white prints, color prints and short film. Winning entries will be forwarded to the All-Army Photo Contest. For information, call 738-5254 or contact MWR Arts and Crafts.

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Help available for stateside legal concerns

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Even if you are in Korea, you still have an obligation and responsibility to take care of legal issues and problems back in the United States. You should not ignore Court Orders or keep putting off stateside legal matters.

This includes criminal misdemeanors, traffic tickets, divorce judgments, child support petitions and any other legal motions filed with a court. You can and should respond to all legal documents. Since you are at some distance from the actual court, you usually must retain an attorney to represent you.

How do you find a good attorney? Your first source is family and friends. Ask them if they have used or know a competent attorney that they can recommend. Get their name, address, telephone numbers and e-mail address. Then you can write, call, or e-mail the attorney and explain what you need done and find out how much it will cost to use their legal services.

Your next source to find a competent attorney is the Internet. Following is a list of sources that you can access on the computer via the Internet:

State Bar Associations
Every state has a bar association that lists the names of all attorneys or lawyers licensed to practice law in their state. On the Internet, access a search engine and type in, "State Bar of *(insert state name)*." For example, if you typed, "State Bar of Michigan," you would get a link the bar association along with a lawyer referral service for all Michigan lawyers.

Local Bar Associations
Most medium or large cities have a list of all lawyers

who practice law in that particular area. Online, type in on a search bar space, "*(insert the City or Area and State)* attorneys." For example, if you entered, "Detroit Michigan Attorneys," you will get names and contact information for attorneys who practice in Detroit, Michigan. You can also narrow your search to find attorneys listed by the areas of law that they practice.

Reserve JAG Assistance
A third resource for finding a good attorney in the United States is by contacting local Reserve Judge Advocate General officers. Your local legal assistance office has access to the names and e-mail addresses of active Army and Reserve JAG officers worldwide.

You can ask them to locate a Reserve JAG officer in the city and/or state that you need. Reserve JAG officers can give you legal assistance on a no-fee basis, represent you as your personal attorney on a fee basis, or give you a referral to a capable attorney in the specific area that you need. As a Reserve JAG officer, I have received calls from a legal assistance officer in Germany, e-mail from Soldiers on their way to Iraq and Bosnia, calls from Soldiers in Alaska and throughout the United States. I have either given them legal advice and/or referred them to local attorneys.

Finally, don't ignore legal papers and documents you have received from, or are served by, the courts. You must respond in a timely manner to protect

your rights. Although you should see your local Legal Assistance Office in regard to your rights under the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act or other applicable statutes, you should always ensure that your response to your local court is done on time.

You can personally contact the courts. Most courts are accessible via the Internet. Courts encourage and allow the filing of court documents/ letters over the Internet or by fax. To find a courts' contact information, you should type "*(insert state)* courts" in an Internet search bar space.

For example, if you typed in, "Michigan Courts," you will get the whole state court organizational structure. You then can select the specific court that you need. Most of the specific courts have Web sites that you can then access. The specific court will have a list of the judges by name, along with the information necessary to contact them. Some court Web sites also have a brief biographical resume for each judge. With this information, you can call, write, fax, or e-mail a court clerk or judge.

From my experience as a Reserve JAG officer and a civilian district court judge in Detroit, Michigan, I have found that there is no reason for a Soldier to neglect or to put off taking care of his/her legal business. On a daily basis, I get calls, faxes, e-mails and letters from attorneys, Soldiers, civilians and judges all around the world who need to be in contact with the court and need to resolve their legal issues. You can take care of your legal business, too.

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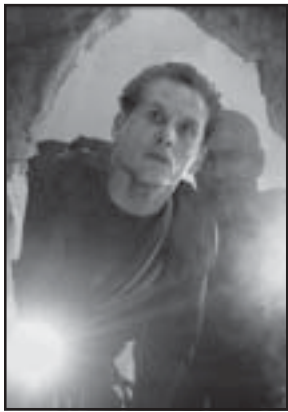
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AAFES THEATER	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
CASEY 730-7354	The Island PG-13	High Tension R	High Tension R	Valiant G	Fantastic Four PG-13	Fantastic Four PG-13	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory PG
HENRY 768-7724	Fantastic Four PG-13	Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo R	Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo R	The Island PG-13	No Show	No Show	No Show
HUMPHREYS 753-7716	Valiant G	Valiant G	Valiant G	High Tension R	High Tension R	The Island PG-13	The Island PG-13
HIALEAH 763-3120	Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo R	Land of the Dead R	Dark Water PG-13	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show
HOVEY 730-5412	High Tension R	Fantastic Four PG-13	Fantastic Four PG-13	The Island PG-13	The Island PG-13	Bad News Bears PG-13	Bad News Bears PG-13
KUNSAN 762-4987	Dukes of Hazzard PG-13	Dukes of Hazzard PG-13	Dukes of Hazzard PG-13	No Show	No Show	No Show	Fantastic Four PG-13



The Cave -- A rescue team is sent down into the world's largest cave system to try to find the spelunkers who first explored its depths. But when the group's escape route is cut off, they are hunted by the monstrous creatures that live down below.



Valiant -- A lowly wood pigeon named Valiant, overcomes his small size to become a hero in Great Britain's Royal Air Force Homing Pigeon Service during World War II. The RHPS advanced the Allied cause by flying vital messages about enemy movements across the English Channel, whilst evading brutal attacks by the enemy's Falcon Brigade.



Bad News Bears Morris, a former pro baseball player, was ejected from the game for attacking an umpire and now works as an exterminator. More interested in boozing and broads than baseball, Morris is lured back into the game by Liz, an attorney whose class action suit has forced the Little League to accept all players, regardless of their abilities. As the new coach of the Bears, the most losing team in Little League history, Morris has his work cut out for him. Though he and his team clash initially, they have a transformative effect on one another that is wholly unexpected.



High Tension Two worlds collide disastrously — a rusted delivery van barrels through cornfields; meanwhile, Alex has brought her friend Marie to spend the weekend at her parents' country farmhouse to escape the hectic pace of Paris. Behind the van's wheel, the driver caresses ripped photos of young women; at the same time the girls get ready for bed dishing girly gossip. At the end of the road lies an isolated house, caught in the van's headlights; as the girls close their eyes, an intruder is about to turn their innocent dreams into a relentless and bloody nightmare.



Rebound -- Robinson Coach Roy once was college basketball's top mastermind. But lately his attentions have been on his next endorsements, not on his next game. What's more, Roy's temper has run amuck, leading to his being banned from college ball until he can demonstrate compliance—in other words, not explode every time he walks onto the court. Roy waits and waits; for a suitable coaching offer, but he receives only one: the Mount Vernon Junior High School Smelters basketball squad.



The Island -- Lincoln is a resident of a seemingly utopian but contained facility in the mid 21st century. Like all of the inhabitants of this carefully controlled environment, Lincoln hopes to be chosen to go to the "The Island" - reportedly the last uncontaminated spot on the planet. But Lincoln soon discovers that everything about his existence is a lie. He and all of the other inhabitants of the facility are actually human clones whose only purpose is to provide "spare parts" for their original human counterparts.

AAFES THEATER	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
LONG 721-3407	Land of the Dead R	The Island PG-13	Land of the Dead R	The Island PG-13	No Show	No Show	No Show
OSAN 784-4930	The Cave PG-13	The Cave PG-13	The Cave PG-13	Mr. & Mrs. Smith PG-13	Mr. & Mrs. Smith PG-13	The Island PG-13	The Island PG-13
RED CLOUD 732-6620	High Tension R	High Tension R	Fantastic Four PG-13	Fantastic Four PG-13	Rebound PG	No Show	The Cave PG-13
STANLEY 732-5565	High Tension R	High Tension R	The Island PG-13	The Island PG-13	No Show	The Cave PG-13	Fantastic Four PG-13
YONGSAN I 738-7389	The Cave PG-13	The Cave PG-13	Herbie: Fully Loaded G	Fantastic Four PG-13	Fantastic Four PG-13	High Tension R	High Tension R
YONGSAN II 738-7389	The Cave PG-13	The Cave PG-13	Kicking and Screaming PG-13	Kicking and Screaming PG-13	The Island PG-13	The Island PG-13	The Island PG-13
YONGSAN III 738-7389	Dark Water PG-13	Dark Water PG-13	Dark Water PG-13	Mr. & Mrs. Smith PG-13	Mr. & Mrs. Smith PG-13	Fantastic Four PG-13	Fantastic Four PG-13

Learning to weather the roller coaster ride of life

By Chaplain (Capt.) Frank G. Ciampa
498th CSB

Sometimes stress rises, as does your blood pressure. Higher and higher they go — pressing you on all sides. Then all of a sudden the bottom falls out. Last-minute changes pop up. Commitments are broken. Good news is followed by bad news.

Life feels like a wild roller coaster ride and you cry out, “I want off this roller coaster!” We’ve all been there. Maybe you’re feeling strapped in on a roller coaster ride through a sin-filled world right now.

Amusement park roller coasters don’t amuse me, they just make me regret the spicy burrito I ate earlier. Emotional roller

coasters don’t amuse me either; they just make my hair turn gray.

But if you think about it, roller coasters are designed for control. Each car is attached to a rail on which it rides and passengers are kept secure with safety bars and seat belts. Although it doesn’t feel like it, everything is designed to keep you safe.

In the same way God remains present and in control, even when it doesn’t feel that way. Even when life seems perilous, your heavenly Father remains faithful, guarding you from all harm and protecting you from all evil. By his spirit he gives you the faith and the strength to get through those stomach-churning, heart-

wrenching, emotional roller coasters. Another way of putting it is that God makes you like a mighty oak tree during a hurricane. Yes, you will lose many of

without God are like small palm trees in a hurricane. The force of the hurricane generally uproots the trees and flings them around without mercy.

So it is with us. If we are to endure the terrifying roller coaster rides or the destructive hurricanes of life, we need the presence of God in our lives. God gives us a safe and secure rail to ride through the ups and downs in life. God and Godly worship gives us the depth of character that will withstand the hurricane winds of life.

We should all cherish the gifts of God and his presence in our lives and take comfort that he gives us his strength. He will preserve us and he will bring us safely home.

“We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.”

2 Corinthians 4: 8-9

your leaves, and yes, some branches will break in the hurricanes of life, but you will remain standing and in time your branches and leaves will grow back. Meanwhile, the people who face life

Area II Worship Services												
Catholic Mass	Sunday	8 a.m.	South Post Chapel	Collective	Sunday	8 a.m.	Memorial Chapel	Korean	Tuesday	6 p.m.	South Post Chapel	
		11:30 a.m.	Memorial Chapel			9:30 a.m.	121 Hospital Chapel			6 p.m.	Camp Colbern Chapel	
	Tuesday	12:05 p.m.	121 Hospital Chapel			9:30 a.m.	Hannam Village Chapel (Korean)			Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Memorial Chapel
		7 p.m.	South Post Chapel							2nd Tues.	11:45 a.m.	Memorial Chapel
	Mon.-Fri.	12:05p.m.	Memorial Chapel			10:30 a.m.	K-16 Community Chapel			3rd Tues.	11:45 a.m.	Memorial Chapel
Jewish	Saturday	5 p.m.	Memorial Chapel			11 a.m.	Hannam Village Chapel	Lutheran	Sunday	5 p.m.	Memorial Chapel	
	Friday	6 p.m.	South Post Chapel						R.O.C.K. Services	Sunday	10 a.m.	Multi-Purpose Training Facility
Protestant Services												
Episcopal	Sunday	10 a.m.	Memorial Chapel	Collective	Sunday	10 a.m.	South Post Chapel (Gospel)	Latter-Day Saints	For information on services, call 738-3011			
United Pentecostal	Sunday	1:30 p.m.	Memorial Chapel			noon	South Post Chapel					
Church of Christ Church International	Sunday	2 p.m.	South Post Chapel									
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) David Colwell David.Colwell@korea.army.mil or DSN 738-3011												



PHOTOS BY DAVID McNALLY

Soldiers from the 302nd Brigade Support Battalion join with a group of special needs children Sept. 2 in a Camp Casey USO-sponsored event.

Soldiers swim with special-needs kids

By David McNally

Area I Public Affairs Office

CAMP CASEY — A group of Soldiers invested a day of fun and games Sept. 2 with a group of Dongducheon special-needs children.

"They were looking for some help and we were looking for somewhere to volunteer, so it was a good match," said Lt. Col. Kathy Burba, 302nd Brigade Support Battalion commander. "We're doing swimming program today."



Burba explained it was a good way to extend community service and participate in the 8th U.S. Army Good Neighbor Program.

"There is a lot of interest for the Soldiers to be a part of the community," Burba said. "It's just natural; they don't just want to be inside the gates of Camp Casey. We consider Dongducheon our extended family."

The 20 Soldiers and 35 children and parents met at the Camp Casey USO before going for a swim at the Hanson Field House pool.

After a series of stretching exercises, the Soldiers and children exchanged names and hugs.

"They are absolutely adorable," said Spc. Autumn Emery, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 302nd BSB. "They're going to have a great day."

The school director partnered Emery with 10-year-old Dae-chun. The young boy was shy and didn't want to go into the water at first. But after seeing many other children in the pool, and getting a healthy

bit of coaxing from Emery, Dae-chun made his way into the water.

"They're really sweet – really shy," Burba said. "They look excited."

Representatives from the 302nd had met with the children of the Haemalgundoe Handicapped Home once before. The Dongducheon center for physically and mentally-challenged children opened in December 2004.

"We went over there, met with them and sang some songs," Burba said. "We kind of got to know each other."

Burba said she looks forward to doing more events with the children and their families.

"It's really good for the Soldiers," she said. "They are looking for outlets. They miss their kids in the states and they like to help. It's just human nature."

Burba said Camp Casey USO Director Sally Hall helped to coordinate and sponsor the event.

"Many units come to us when they're looking for a place to volunteer," Hall said.

Burba said she thinks Soldiers are concerned they get a "bad rap."

"The only things many Koreans know about American Soldiers is how one or two of them have gotten in trouble downtown," Burba said. "My Soldiers have talked about wanting to get out more and show the Korean people we are here for the best reasons, and we want them to be part of our family."

Burba said the 1,100 Soldiers in her unit also sponsor the Bosan Elementary School and My Home Orphanage.

"I've done special-needs programs in the past," Burba said. "I have a handicapped sister, so I'm comfortable with this. For me it was a natural sister-partnership. We want to have a long-term relationship."



Above: Spc. Cesar Larrea, Company B, 302nd Brigade Support Battalion, and two Dongducheon youngsters head for the pool. Left: Pfc. Kissea Hall, Company A, 302nd BSB, and Choi Chong-yun, 12, do stretching exercises before going for a swim.

Korea MWR Region

Tae Kwon Do Championship

Area I's Warrior Sports is hosting the tae kwon do championship at Camp Casey's Hanson Field House Saturday. Weigh-ins will begin at 10 a.m. Competition begins at 1 p.m.

Eighth Army Rugby Championship

The Eighth U.S. Army Rugby Championship will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday, at Camp Casey's Schoonover Bowl. The event is open to all active-duty military rugby teams from each Area command.

Golf Course Breakfast

The Camp Casey Golf Course Restaurant is serving breakfast from 6-9 a.m., Monday thru Friday. For information, call 730-4334.

Team Triathlon Set for Saturday

The Eighth U.S. Army Team Triathlon Championship will be held at Camp Casey's Hanson Field House Saturday. Team categories are men, women and mixed. Registration is at 8 a.m. and the race starts at 10 a.m.

Summer Basketball Championships

The Warrior Division Summer Basketball Championship will be Monday thru Wednesday at the Camp Stanley Fitness Center. The competition is open to qualified teams from camps Casey and Red Cloud Garrison championships. Preliminary games start at 4 p.m. Monday and Tuesday. The championship begins at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday.

Warrior Division Boxing

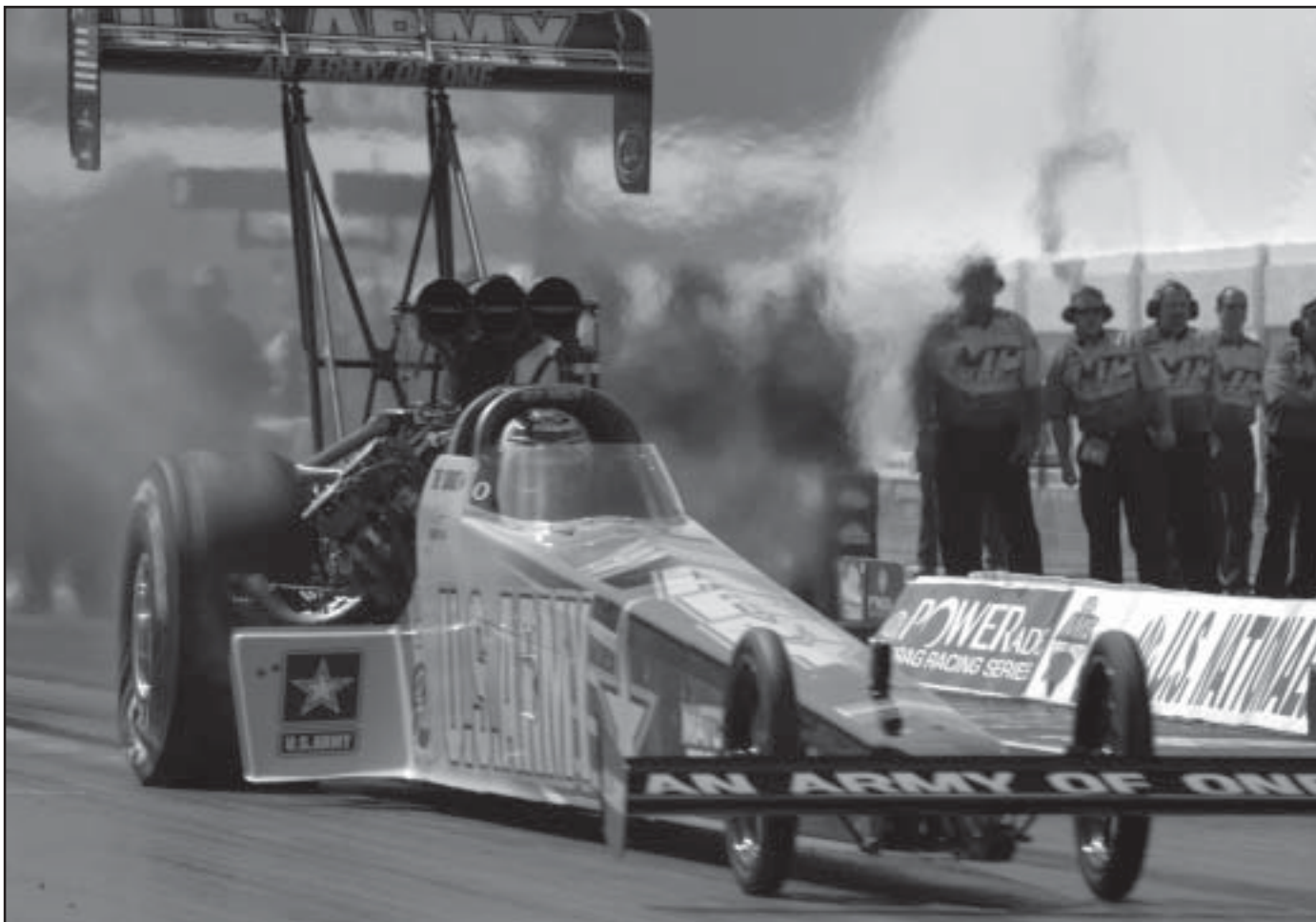
Warrior Division Boxing Championships are set for Camp Casey's Hanson Field House, Wednesday thru Sept. 16. Weigh-ins and medical examinations will begin at 10 a.m., with matches starting at 6 p.m. each day. The top three competitors in each weight category will advance to the Eighth U.S. Army championship.

Eighth Army Track & Field

The Eighth U.S. Army track and field competition will be at Camp Casey's Schoonover Bowl Sept. 24. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Competition begins at 10 a.m.

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MAJ. WILLIAM THURMOND

Tony Schumacher powers the U.S. Army top fuel dragster off the line during his quarter-final run Monday. Schumacher finished number two on the day, but rose atop the Powerade points standings due to his dominating performance all weekend.

Army dragster regains NHRA top fuel points lead

By Maj. William Thurmond

Army News Service

INDIANAPOLIS RACEWAY PARK, Ill. – The Army drag racing team didn't take home any trophies at this Labor Day weekend's 51st Mac Tools U.S. Nationals, but their strong performance earned them improved positions in the Powerade championship points battle.

Leading the way was top-fueler Tony "Sarge" Schumacher, whose nitro-powered Army dragster dominated the weekend, smashing track records in both speed and elapsed times.

Schumacher's poise and focus showed in his superb reaction times, as he beat eight of his nine opponents off the starting line, and blasted to the finish at over 329 miles per hour. His best quarter-mile was timed at just 4.459 seconds, a feat he achieved twice in a row in cooler conditions Friday and Saturday nights.

The final match between Schumacher and Larry Dixon's Miller Lite/Ameriquest dragster was quick and to the point. Following a rapid staging sequence, both drivers leapt ahead at the green light. But within 100 feet it was clear that the Army would not be celebrating this day.

"We left the starting line and hit the wheelie bar, which lifted the back end off the ground and cost us the race," said Schumacher as he met with fans and signed autographs following his loss.

"We've won here three times in a row and had a chance to win a fourth, so yeah, it's disappointing when you have a car that's as good as ours. But this U.S. Army team's the best in the world and we proved it again this weekend. I'm proud to drive for them and have the Army and my crew behind me."

Perhaps this past week's devastation on the Gulf coast was on his mind when Schumacher reflected on his team's weekend.

"I'm disappointed, but now I'm gonna' go home and spend a week with my family. Racing is outstanding but we know that there are bigger things."

Despite the loss, the Army's dominance this weekend put them back on top of the top fuel series lead, 40 points ahead of Doug Kalitta. Dixon, Monday's race winner, rose to third.

Another Army racer, Angelle Sampey, rode her way into a semi-final berth, despite potential Katrina-related distractions that might have mentally crippled other less experienced riders.

Sampey, a New Orleans resident and Louisiana native,

started the weekend's meet unsure of the whereabouts of many of her family members or the extent of damage her home and business suffered in the disaster.

Thankfully, communications were restored just prior to the start of Monday's final eliminations, easing the mind of the winningest female racer in NHRA history.

"I spoke with a cousin back in Louisiana and it looks like all my family evacuated and are safe" said Sampey. "There's a couple of folks I haven't heard from but I'm sure they got out. They're scattered around Louisiana so now we'll try to get everyone back together again."

With that off her mind, Sampey got down to business.

Posting a perfect reaction time in her first round victory, and edging-out her rival in the quarter final, Sampey was finally defeated by fellow Suzuki rider Steve Johnson, who just beat her to the line by .085 seconds.

"We had an engine problem. We actually scuffed a piston, and we can't win with that going on, not with the competition that's out here," said Sampey.

"This Army team definitely does not quit, ever. When we had a problem with our gas tank on Friday, the crew engineered a solution and got the bike fixed and to the starting line about 10 minute's before I raced. It doesn't matter what the problem is, these guys will get the job done."



Nick Peters, 24, from Independence Ohio, works on the all-important parachute system of the Army dragster.

Unit covers 7,500 square miles

501st Provides communication, data transmission service

By Roger Edwards

Area III Public Affairs

CAMP HUMPHREYS – “The 501st Signal Company, 36th Signal Battalion, has a long history in Korea,” said Pfc. Lindsey Dickey, 501st Operations. “The unit settled on Camp Humphreys in Pyongtaek, 31 years ago in 1974. Since then it has grown roots that extend into more than 7,500 square miles of territory.

“Over the years the 501st mission has changed as demands and requirements grew,” she said. “The unit has stayed abreast of the modern technology in today’s Army.”

The 501st is divided into 12 sections. Seven of those sections provide direct communications services to Area III. They include the

Defense Switched Network, Directorate of Information Management, Outside Plant, the Roving Maintenance Team, two Tech Control Facilities and a Mobile Command Support Platoon.

“Our DSN has more than 4,500 active subscriber lines,” said Dickey. “We also provide telephone and Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Lines to Soldiers in the field. Due to the advent of ADSL, there has been a worldwide increase in broadband internet usage,” she said, “especially in Korea. Korea holds the largest percentage of consumer broadband usage in the world. ADSL lines and circuits provide high-speed Internet access through Samsung, the local merchant, for those Soldiers living in barracks.”

According to Dickey, Camp Humphreys DSN is capable of supporting more than 1,500 ADSL subscribers.

“DSN is considered a major factor and the first line of communications because it not only provides telephone and Internet services to peninsula wide customers but also to customers participating in all USFK field problems and exercises,” said Sgt. Jason Godbold, DSN NCOIC.

DOIM is set up to provide customer service on issues within local networks. The members of the DOIM team set up, troubleshoot, install, and manage computer systems connected to networks. DOIM is also designated to decentralize its services by training unit members on smaller networking topics in the Information Management Officer course.

The 501st Signal Company’s Outside Plant team, known as the “CABLE DOGS,” provides peninsula-wide technical support for all Area III tenants. The team lays wiring, installs cables and repairs any cables that are damaged. Staff Sgt. Carolyn Washington, NCOIC of Outside Plant, said, “This team has always set a ‘Time on Target’ standard when it comes to completing a mission.” Outside Plant also installs and maintains telephone and fiber optic lines for customers, running the lines to barracks and office buildings.

General Order 84 officially incorporated American Forces Korean Network as one of their largest communications asset in Korea on Sept. 27, 1950. “Freedom Radio,” the final affiliate, was built at Camp Humphreys and began broadcasting in

1986. The primary mission of maintaining AFNK was given to the 501st Roving Maintenance Team. This team maintains and restores the AFNK AM and FM transmission systems, its television transmission systems, and microwave back-up systems in Area III.

The Suwon and Humphreys’ Tech Control Facilities mission is to operate and maintain telephone systems, direct and ensure continuous data transmission, manage network systems and provide U.S. Forces Korea and Korean Defense Forces with voice and data communications. This is handled via fiber optic cables and asynchronous transfer mode systems that connect Suwon City and Area III. Suwon and Humphreys’ TCF provides Tango TCF and Osan TCF the means to communicate through their radios and receivers which then allows the Air Force and KT to receive data over a long distance. “We take data, package it together and send it out,” said Sgt. Eric Stratton, Suwon TCF NCOIC.

The MCSP provides an interface between FM, AM, Satellite Communication radios and commercial communications systems to tactical commanders and control elements. With current technological demands and up-to-date information transmission, MCSP is especially important for those tactical commanders on ground and in the air. They have the ability to rapidly deploy and provide multimedia information through a streaming high-bit data rate, allowing commanders to monitor situations and maintain control 24 hours a day while away from the office.



COURTESY PHOTO

Pfc. James Dinatale (left) and Pfc. Kristofer Noble set up a transportable ground receiving suite satellite dish to receive data feed in the field.

Humphreys recognizes Medal of Honor recipient Lopez

By Roger Edwards

Area III Public Affairs

CAMP HUMPHREYS – Maps of this installation will now include “Lopez Circle,” a street dedicated to Medal of Honor recipient, Marine Corps 1st Lt. Baldomero Lopez.

The ceremony dedicating the road was held Sept. 2 and was attended by Marines, U.S. and Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers.

Lopez died Sept. 15, 1950, during the Incheon invasion. During this action, Lopez exposed himself to hostile fire when he moved to throw a hand grenade into a pillbox pinning down a sector of the Incheon beach. Enemy fire found its target, hitting him in the right shoulder and chest as he lifted his arm to throw the missile.

Lopez fell backward, losing the grenade. After a moment, he turned and made an effort to regain the weapon but, in critical condition from the pain and blood loss, he was unable to

grip the grenade firmly enough to throw it. Rather than endanger his men, he chose to sacrifice himself. With a sweeping motion of his wounded right arm, Lopez pulled the grenade under himself and absorbed the full impact of the explosion.

His courage and sacrifice has been recognized with the Medal of Honor and, in 1985, the Secretary of the Navy named a maritime pre-positioning ship the USNS Baldomero Lopez.

“We continue to pray for those in harms way,” said Area III and Camp Humphreys Command Sgt. Maj. Robert Frace during the ceremony, “and for those who have given their lives while serving their nation.”



ROGER EDWARDS

Marine Corps Capt. Roberto Ibaiza, S4 Alpha, Marine Air Control Group-18, Okinawa, Japan, unveils the new street sign for “Lopez Circle” during the Sept. 2 dedication ceremony.

NEWS & NOTES

Help Wanted

Applications are being accepted for full- and part-time Child Care Givers at the new Camp Humphreys Child Development Center. Applicants must be 18 or older, able to lift 40 pounds, able to read and write English, a U.S. citizen, available between 5:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. and able to pass a background check required for working with children. Forms are available at the Civilian Personnel Office. For information, call 753-8773.

5th Annual Pyeongtaek Port Half-Marathon

The annual Pyeongtaek Port Half-Marathon is scheduled for Oct. 30 and the first 90 Area III Soldiers, civilians and family members to register are invited to participate for free. Participatants may choose the 5K or 10K run. To run in the event, participants must be registered by close of business Thursday. Register by contacting Peter Yu, Area III community relations officer, at 753-7652, via fax at 753-7836, or via e-mail at YUP@Korea.army.mil. For information, call 753-7836.

Painted Door Thrift Store

The Painted Door Thrift Store is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wednesday and Friday, and on the first Saturday of the month. The Painted Door is holding a bag sale Friday and Saturday. Everyone is welcome. The Painted Door is expanding to become a "Thrift and Gift Store." Crafters are needed to help stock the new gift shop operation. Consignments will be accepted on Fridays begining Sept. 9, and donations are always welcome. Volunteers are needed to work at the Painted Door.

Chili Peppers Potluck, Bingo

The United Club invites all ID cardholders to come out for an evening of Red Hot chili Peppers at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. The event will be held in the third floor meeting room of Army Family Housing, Bldg. 510. Bring your favorite Mexican/Hispanic dish for potluck and be prepared for Bingo. No childcare will be provided. For information about the United Club, send e-mail questions to unitedclubarea3@yahoo.com.

New Traffic Pattern

Drivers can expect delays at the CPX gate from Saturday to Oct. 6. Asphalt will be removed from the CPX commercial parking area, which will be repaved and cured. During this process visitor and commercial traffic will be directed to the wash rack across the street for processing and inspection.

Puente Jr. plays Camp Humphreys

By Roger Edwards

Area III Public Affairs

CAMP HUMPHREYS – The sounds coming from Camp Humphreys Community Activity Center Saturday night had a familiar feel for anyone who has ever listened to "Santana." The Tito Puente Jr. Band was in town and producing their best for the approximately 100 fans that came out for the show.

Tito Puente Jr. has inherited his father's urge to make music, along with his skill and showmanship. "I've just released my third album," he said. "My father released more than 120. He won four Grammy Awards, got his star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and was known as the King of Latin Music.

"He even had two of his compositions recorded by Carlos Santana. Well – I've got the next fifty years to catch up."



ROGER EDWARDS

The Tito Puente, Jr. Band entertain a crowd of about 100 Soldiers, civilians and family members Saturday, Sept. 3, in a concert at the Camp Humphreys Community Activity Center.

He may make it. The sounds he and his band produced were smooth but made you want to move your feet. His

treatment of "The Falling Leaves" turned the standard ballad into something new and different.

Humphreys observes Hispanic Heritage Month

By Roger Edwards

Area III Public Affairs

CAMP HUMPHREYS – Camp Humphreys' Soldiers and civilians, men and women observed Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 2, with a program of music, poetry and history at the Pegasus Grill Dining Facility.

Master of Ceremony duties for the event were shared by Spc. Estela Barrios, 516th Personnel Support Battalion, and Pfc. Georgiana Da Cruz and Pvt. Maria Martinez, of the 176th Finance Detachment.

The Korean and American national anthems were sung by Cpl. Jung Tae-

Keun, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Area III; and Staff Sgt. Mathelda Warren, 249th Military Police Detachment. Capt. Emerson Byrd, chaplain for the 532nd Military Intelligence Battalion, delivered the invocation for the event, and the benediction.

Installation and Area III Command Sgt. Maj. Robert Frace welcomed the more than 120 program attendees and Spc. Dannisha Dowers recited a poem for the crowd.

As guest speaker for the event, installation and Area III Commander, Col. Michael Taliento, addressed the tremendous contributions Hispanic Americans have made to America's culture and history. The colonel said "you can see Hispanic influence today wherever you look. It ranges from place names across the country, to the Hispanic presence in motion pictures, the professions, sports and the military."



ROGER EDWARDS

Masters of Ceremony at Camp Humphreys Hispanic Heritage Month program are (left to right) Pvt. Maria Martinez, Pfc. Georgiana Da Cruz and Spc. Estela Barrios.

Holiday Hustle



ROGER EDWARDS

More than 100 runners participated Monday, in the Camp Humphreys Labor Day Run. "We had five, 10 and 20 K routes laid out," said Jim Howell, Area III Sports director, "so everybody got to chose. Male and female best times for each route were:

5K

Sgt. Clinton Mercer, 52nd GSAB

Sfc. Maria Vockert, 527th MI

13:51

20:49

10K

Capt. Winston Symmes, 527th MI

Pvt. Alile Sorrells, 568th Med. Co.

Unit Runners, 23rd Spt Gp

42:21

1:09:13

1:06:08

20K

GySgt. Brenton Cox, 7th Comm Bn

1:26:03

Chaplain Robinson ministers to Soldier, Marine needs

By F. Neil Neeley

Area III Public Affairs

CAMP HUMPHREYS – When a servicemember deploys to one of the Area III life support areas in the field in support of a major exercise, the Area III chaplain and his deployed counterparts are right there to look after that individual's needs.

During operation Ulchi Focus Lens, Maj. Raymond Robinson Jr., Area III command chaplain, visited the various LSAs on a twofold mission. "I go to see Soldiers and Marines and do 'Ministry of Presence'," said Robinson. "I also go there to look after the needs of our religious support personnel and to see what religious assets we have on station. That way I know what I need to coordinate for and what they have as far as ecclesiastical supplies and who needs to be re-supplied."

As Robinson visited the areas, each servicemember that he encountered was greeted by a firm handshake and a friendly "How ya' doin' Soldier?" "Where 'ya from?" "How's the chow?"

The handshake and friendly banter puts the servicemember at ease so that

he or she can open up and let the chaplain in on any problems that might need looking after. Sometimes Robinson would sit down with the Soldier right there in the chow tent for an impromptu counseling session.

At each area, Robinson checked in with the on-site chaplain to see how their ministry was going and if they needed anything.

At Yongin ROK Army Base he met with Chap. Oscar Araco, a major with the 3 Corps from Fort Hood, Texas.

Araco deployed from Fort Hood with his unit. His mission was to provide religious support to Soldiers deployed to Yongin from 3 Corps units from all over America.

He surprised Robinson with some unexpected good news. "There are three Korean chaplains here on post," he said. "We've got Catholic, Protestant and Buddhist chaplains here."

The day Robinson visited, the Korean Catholic priest was scheduled to perform mass for the American troops. "We've been very blessed here with the help and friendship of our Korean chaplains," Araco said. "It's always good



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Area III Command Chaplain Raymond Robinson Jr. talks with Capt. Samuel Okoko, 3rd Corps artillery, Fort Sill, Okla., and a native of Kenya. The two had an informal chat in the recreation tent at the life support areas at Yongin ROK Army Base during Operation UFL.

to have friends. We hope that we can be of help to them too."

The Army can feed a Soldier's body,

but chaplains like Robinson, Araco and others are there to feed their spirits.

Marine band proves to be 'good neighbor'

By Roger Edwards

Area III Public Affairs

CAMP HUMPHREYS – The seven-piece Third Marine Expeditionary Force Band was a big hit with the students and

staff of Pyongtaek's International Christian School Aug. 25, when they visited the facility and put on a musical show.

"The kids always seem to get a kick

out of our show," said Lt. Col. John Keith of the Third Force Service Support Group on Okinawa, Japan, "and we all enjoy coming out and putting it on."

The band was in Korea with a thousand other Marines from Okinawa during ULCHI Focus Lens. "We always find time to get out and do 'Good Neighbor' visits in the surrounding communities while we're here," said Keith. "It's part of what we do."

Despite being involved in an ongoing exercise while in Korea, the Marines take their 'Good Neighbor' activities to heart. They had already engaged in a dozen visits when they went to the school, and were planning another eight or nine before the end of UFL.

"We love going out to schools, orphanages, elderly homes, community centers and hospitals when we have the chance," Keith said. "We have fun, our audience has fun and it helps build a really good image for Americans."

ICS is an American-accredited, all

English language instruction facility. "We teach about 200 students here," said John Peterson, ICS principal for the last seven years. They range in age from kindergarten to high school seniors, and they really enjoy a program like this.

"This is the second year the Marine band has taken time to visit us," Peterson continued, "and they're welcome back any time they're in town."

A particularly favored moment in the program for the children came when Cpl. Phil Gartrell, a trumpet player from Lakeland, Fla., brought school instructor Nicole Fleming to the front of the room, dropped to one knee and began singing "My Girl" to her with the full instrumental and vocal back up of the rest of the band. The children rushed to the front for a better view of their teacher's red face as the music went on.

Fleming, a McAllen, Texas native who is engaged in her first year of teaching, said she enjoyed the attention from the kids and the band.



PHOTOS BY ROGER EDWARDS

Phil Gartrell emulates Tom Cruise during the Third Marine Expeditionary Force Band visit to Pyongtaek's International Christian School, singing "My Girl" to Nicole Fleming, an ICS teacher.



The Third Marine Expeditionary Force Band pose for a photo with ICS kindergarten through sixth-grade students during their visit. They then played a second show for the older students.

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KSC conducts 'Falcon' decontamination training

By Pvt. Park Kwang-mo

Area IV Public Affairs

CAMP HENRY – Korean Service Corps members serve in a wide array of specialties from driving buses to mortuary affairs and beyond. Their range of responsibility has increased a notch as they have added the additional mission of providing decontamination support to United States Forces Korea.

As part of their new mission, the KSC Battalion headquartered at Camp Kim, adjacent to Yongsan Garrison in Seoul, plans to activate eight new "Falcon Decontamination Teams" in Areas II, III and IV.

The Falcon Team mission will be to deploy to contaminated mission sites in order to provide fixed site, terrain and special decontamination operations as directed by area and base commanders.

To prepare for the new mission, 32nd KSC Company cadre conducted the first formal training for Falcon Team members Aug. 23 – Tuesday. Four members of Camp Henry's 32nd KSC Co., and two members from Camp Carroll's 37th KSC Co. participated in the "mobile team training" class that will allow them to pass their expertise on to other Falcon Team members in Areas II, III and IV.

The highlight of the 56-hour training course was a hands-on decontamination exercise at Camp Henry Aug. 26 in which the students conducted mock terrain and fixed site decontamination operations.

"This is a great chance to look over what we have learned and fully understand the decontamination mission," said Choe Chun-yong, decontamination operation specialist, who instructed the training.

During armistice, the Korean Service Corps Battalion employs 2,185 full time workers. In a crisis, that number would swell dramatically as the battalion would expand from 15 to approximately 200 companies. One of those companies would be the yet to be fielded 3rd KSC Company consisting of qualified Falcon Decontamination Team members who will join together to provide the



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Sok Sang-min, 32nd Korean Service Corps Company, monitors mock terrain decontamination operations at Camp Henry Aug. 26. In the background is a Falcon III Decontamination System consisting of a heavy-duty pickup with a spray gun mounted in the bed and 1,020-gallon tanker trailer.

Eighth U. S. Army with decontamination capability.

Throughout the seven-day decontamination training the six Area IV participants developed and improved their DECON operation skills and gained technical knowledge in a variety of topics including identifying and neutralizing chemicals and biological agents, decontamination skills and techniques, operator level preventive maintenance check and service, maintenance of decontamination equipment and much more.

"Once trainees are certified, they will go to the different

areas (on the peninsula) to train (additional) Falcon Team members," said Lt. Col. Robert J. Paquin, Korean Service Corps battalion commander. "These are the future instructors of the system."

For the hands-on decontamination exercise, students manned two Falcon III Decontamination Systems consisting of a heavy-duty pickup with a spray gun mounted in the bed and 1,020-gallon tanker trailer

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Heading Home

Airmen load a pallet of equipment and supplies onto an Air Force C-130 at K2 Air Base in Daegu Sept. 2 following the completion of exercise Ulchi Focus Lens 2005. About 2,500 servicemembers stayed in Area IV Support Activity Life Support Areas during the exercise that Kicked-off Aug. 22. (See related story on Page 27.)

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Town Hall Meeting

A Town Hall Meeting for families will be held 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Camp Walker Chapel Activities Center. Discussion topics include Life Support Facilities' Improvements, Information/Communication Strategies, and Interactive Customer Evaluation (ICE). This is the forum to ask questions of Col. Hendrix, the Area IV Support Activity Commander, Area IV staff, and various other community service providers. For information, call Kevin Jackson, 768-7604.

Area IV Support Activity Org. Day

The Camp Henry Community Mail Room will be closed today for the Area IV Support Activity Organization Day. Other sections will also be closed or offering limited services. For information, call Bud Rader at 768-6922.

Protestant Sunday School

The Camp Walker Chapel Protestant Sunday School will hold an ice cream social 11:30 a.m. Sunday at Kelley Field. Sunday School classes begin 9 a.m. Sept. 18 at the Camp Walker Chapel. For information call Cheri Fochs at 010-8671-6061.

Tobacco Cessation Class

Area IV Health Promotions will conduct a Tobacco Cessation Class 3 p.m. Wednesday at Army Community Service on Camp Hialeah. For information, call Area IV Health Promotions at 764-5213

Army Family Team Building Training

Army Community Service is sponsoring Army Family Team Building Training 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Wednesday at Camp Hialeah ACS Bldg. Reservations are required. For information, call Jae Bowers at 763-7271.

POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony

The Hill 303 Memorial, VFW Post 10033 of Daegu will hold its annual POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony 6 p.m. Sept. 16 at the 19th Hole in the Evergreen Community Club. The public is invited to attend. For information, contact Ken Swierzewski at 768-8215.

NEO Preparedness Class

A Noncombatant Evacuation Operations Preparedness Class will be held 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Sept. 19 At Army Community Service, Building #1103, on Camp Henry. The class will include a NEO briefing, information on how to prepare a NEO kit, Sail Away/Fly Away information and more. Registration deadline is Sept. 16. For information, call Kiya Reed at 768-7610.

Two National Guard generals with strong Korea ties retire

By Pfc. Elizabeth Jones

109th MPAD

DAEGU – Many National Guard and U.S. Army Reserve officers develop close relationships with the active component units they train with annually in Korea. However, the officers rarely get a chance to get that close with their Republic of Korea Army counterparts.

Maj. Gen. Charles L. Rosenfeld and Brig. Gen. Richard M. Blunt from the U.S. Army National Guard have been coming to Korea for more than 37 years, and through their jobs, have developed close ties with the Second Republic of Korea Army located in Daegu.

Rosenfeld and Blunt, who were assigned as Deputy Combined Rear Area Coordinators, worked directly with Commander of SROKA, Gen. Gwon Young-ki, to ensure rapid protection and advance supply to U.S. and coalition forces in the event of a contingency. In other words, they worked for Gen. Leon J. LaPorte, the commander of United States Forces Korea, to get what he would need in time of crisis, said Rosenfeld, who is with the Oregon National Guard.

"Though I have only known the generals a couple of months, I find them to be great leaders that have a great working relationship with the Second Republic of Korea Army commanders," said Col. Gracus K. Dunn, commander, Combat Support Coordination Team #2, Daegu.

Both Rosenfeld and Blunt said it has been an honor to work closely with SROKA.

"Korea is one of our strongest allies," said Blunt.

"They are a truly warm, sharing people and I've learned from them. They are truly professional, and I'd fight along side them anytime," added Blunt, who is from the Alaska National Guard.

"We can tell jokes we each understand. We have crossed that barrier and can share humor with one another. Whoever can achieve that is better respected professionally," said Rosenfeld.

The close relationship between the generals and SROKA was evident when both generals decided to retire this year. In honor of their service and friendship, SROKA held a dinner Aug 27.

"For the last 37 years and 33 years respectively, Maj. Gen. Rosenfeld and Brig. Gen. Blunt devoted themselves to their mother country, the United States of America, world's peace and freedom by serving the army," said Gwon, who spoke at the dinner.

"All of the numerous achievements done by these two generals will promote friendly relations between ROK and U.S. military even more while greatly contributing to deterring war on the Korean peninsula and the development of ROK and U.S. combat power, Gwon said.

Further demonstrating their close ties, SROKA offered to conduct Rosenfeld's retirement ceremony on the parade field at the ROK Army base in Daegu Sept. 2. With SROKA and U.S. forces arrayed across the field, Rosenfeld conducted the final inspection of his long career.



Brig. Gen. Richard M. Blunt

"[I and my wife] will not forget you," said Rosenfeld, following the inspection. "We will remember the Koreans fondly."

"The ROK and U.S. relations will pursue peace and prosperity together in the future," said Gwon, who also expressed his appreciation of Rosenfeld's relationship with SROKA. "General Rosenfeld's love and friendship will remain in our hearts forever."

Both Rosenfeld and Blunt said that while their careers have ended, their friendships with the Korean people will last forever.

"As this chapter closes and a new one begins, rest assured that neither you nor the many others I have been privileged to serve will disappear from my memory or my prayers," said Blunt at the farewell dinner.

Instead of goodbye, he closed with "Katchi kapsida," let us go together.



Pfc. ELIZABETH JONES

Gen. Gwon Young-ki, commander of SROKA, presents a medal to U.S. Army National Guard Maj. Gen. Charles L. Rosenfeld during Rosenfeld's retirement ceremony Sept. 2 at the ROK Army installation in Daegu. Rosenfeld developed close ties with SROKA over 37 years of training here.

LSAs 'home away from home' during exercise

Area IV hosts close to 2,500 servicemembers during Ulchi Focus Lens '05

By Pfc. Elizabeth Jones

109th MPAD

CAMP HENRY – It's a big job taking care of thousands of deployed soldiers, but somebody's got to do it. The soldiers in charge of the Life Support Areas in Area IV handled concerns from light outages and bunk changes to telephone and Internet access during the Ulchi Focus Lens exercise Aug. 22 – Sept. 2.

All the luxuries of home are provided for visiting troops, said James McCall, the LSA coordinator for Area IV.

Early each year, McCall requests a team of Soldiers and civilians from throughout Area IV to help prepare for the annual exercise.

The crew consists of about 30 members per base who prepare each camp for the event. They set up tents, clean the barracks, perform maintenance, police-call the grounds, and then handle concerns and problems that occur throughout the exercise, said Sgt. Christopher Isabelle, a member of the LSA staff at Camp Henry.

Pfc. Kwon Young-ho, also a member of Camp Henry's staff, is participating in his second UFL here. In preparation for last year's exercise, he said American Soldiers did all of the set up. This year, Korean Augmentation to the United States Army Soldiers were involved in the set-up as well. Kwon says he likes being a part of the event.

However, a task this large requires outside help as well, so contracted personnel are brought in.



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Area IV Support Activity Soldiers store Life Support Area equipment and supplies following Ulchi Focus Lens 2005. Soldiers will break the gear out and do it all again for the next exercise.

McCall said he begins to set up contracts with cleaning crews for portable latrines and water 90 days prior to the exercise.

Throughout the organization of the event, McCall works with personnel at Camp Henry, Camp Carroll, Camp Hialeah, Camp Walker, K-2 Air Base and the Second Republic of Korea Army installation in Daegu.

Ten days before the exercise commences, the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation tents are erected, and McCall coordinates with Army and Air Force Exchange Service to provide movies, free 10-minute phone cards and other amenities for the troops, he said.

Also, 10 days before troops arrive for the exercise, the LSA crew sets up cots in the tents, puts mattress covers on bunks in the Butler Buildings, takes care of small details and waits for the troops to arrive, McCall said.

McCall's team handles personnel issues from billeting to coordinating with the Red Cross in case of

emergencies. Two weeks before servicemembers arrive, McCall visits each camp to assure standards are being met and that final details are in order. Lights are checked, buildings are swept and mopped, and phone and computer lines are connected. Notices are sent to the PXs, commissaries, shoppettes, dining facilities and hospitals to remind personnel about the influx of servicemembers, McCall said.

The hardest part of coordinating everything is knowing how many people are going to show up for the exercise, according to McCall.

Area IV hosted nearly 2,500 servicemembers during this year's exercise according to Sgt. 1st Class Eugene Sergi, Area IV Support Activity Directorate of Plans, Training, Security and Mobilization non-commissioned officer in charge, and Camp Henry LSA mayor.

McCall receives confirmation on how many participants are expected just 30 days before the servicemembers are scheduled to arrive, therefore he has to estimate how many troops will attend the exercise, he said.

McCall has learned that the process of coordinating such an event is not always clear-cut. The number of participants who actually show tend to be about one third of the number projected, McCall said.

Overall, this year's UFL participants seemed to appreciate the hard work the LSA crews put in.

"LSA workers answer inquiries about flight times and do a good job taking care of servicemembers' questions and concerns," said Spc. MarQuetta Daniels, from the Alpha Detachment, 556th Personnel Services Battalion based in Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

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featuring a compressor that feeds water to the system's dispersal apparatus.

The team kicked off the simulated terrain decontamination by spraying down Camp Henry roads with high-pressure spray. The water, which appears foamy because of the extremely high pressure, is applied to the pavement through a spray

bar with 6 nozzles at the rear of the tanker trailer. Two Falcon III Decontamination Systems, one for each lane, perform the terrain decontamination.

The water is compressed to a 1 to 25 ratio with air. "Compressed water covers a wider range with less amount of water," Choe said.

To simulate decontamination of the Area IV Support Activity Headquarters building, the team fired up the deck guns mounted in the beds of the Ford F-350 pickups used to tow the tanker trailers. After giving the building a once-over, team members deployed 100-foot hoses from each rig to hit hard to reach areas.

"The training was very meaningful because it was the first formal training," said Pae Won-po, 32nd KSC Co. "But, it was also a good opportunity to learn our strengths and weaknesses."

This first-time formal decontamination training was a transition step for Korean Service Corps Falcon Team members who will assist USFK with decontamination missions in the future. Those missions were previously conducted by 23rd Chemical Battalion, formerly headquartered at Camp Carroll. The battalion has since disbanded and dispersed with the ROK Army taking over the decontamination mission.

"I felt so proud of our job because our mission is not only to decontaminate the contaminated area but to help Soldiers to successfully and safely accomplish their mission," said To Young-ho from the 37th KSC Co.

The Korean Service Corps was activated on July 26, 1950 under the Presidential Emergency Decree of Syng-man Rhee, president of the Republic of Korea in response to an urgent request for manpower by General Walton Walker, commanding general of the Eighth United States Army.

The Korean Service Corps is a paramilitary labor force consisting of mission essential Korean civilians who support USFK during both armistice and crisis operations.



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Korean Service Corps Falcon Team members, spray the Area IV Support Activity headquarters building during mock fixed site decontamination operations.

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태풍이 지나간 뒤에는 파손된 상하수도나 도로가 있다면 시·군·구청이나 읍·면·동사무소에 연락하고 침수된 집 안은 가스가 차 있을 수 있으니 환기한 후 들어가야 하며 전기·가스·수도시설은 전문업체에 연락해 수리한 뒤 사용해야 한다.

업종별 시설물 관리법

농촌 지역에서는 지붕이 날아가지 않도록 단단히 고정시키고 날아갈 수 있는 물건은 묶여둬야 한다. 집 주위나 경작지의 용·배수로와 농업시설물은 점검하고 산간 계곡의 야영객은 안전한 곳으로 대피해야 한다.

산사태가 일어날 수 있는 비탈면 근처에는 접근하지 말고 농기계나

This article is about
"Precautions in case of a
storm alert."

Learn Korean Easily



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"Hwee-bahl-you
noe-oe-joo-seh-yo."
"I need gasoline in my car."

Single Consonants									
ㄱ	ㄴ	ㄷ	ㄹ	ㅁ	ㅂ	ㅅ	ㅇ	ㅈ	ㅊ
g	n	d	r, l	m	b	sh, s	ng	j	ch
Double Consonants									
ㄲ	ㄸ	ㅃ	ㅆ	ㅉ	ㅊ	ㅌ	ㅍ	ㅍ	ㅍ
gg	dd	bb	ss	jj	ss	ss	ss	ss	ss
Single Vowels									
ㅏ	ㅑ	ㅓ	ㅕ	ㅗ	ㅛ	ㅜ	ㅠ	ㅡ	ㅣ
ah	yah	oe	yoh	oh	yo	oo	you	ue	ee
Double Vowels									
ㅘ	ㅙ	ㅚ	ㅜ	ㅝ	ㅞ	ㅟ	ㅠ	ㅡ	ㅣ
eh	yeh	weh	weh	wah	wuh	wee	ui	ui	ui

Word of the week

휘발유

ㅎ;h, ㅍ;w ee /
ㅏ;b, ㅑ;ah, ㅓ;l /
ㅇ;silent, ㅠ;you
'hwee-bahl-you'

gasoline

The phrase of the week

"Gasoline is expensive."

휘발유 비싸요.

Hwee-bahl-you be-sah-yo.

Gasoline

is expensive

Conversation of the week

강변에 드라이브 갑시다. Let's drive by the river.

**Gahn-byun-eh due-rah-
ee-bue gahb-see-dah.**

안돼요. No, I can't.

Ahn-dweh-yo.

왜요? Why?

Weh-yo?

휘발유 값 때문이에요. Because of the price of gasoline.

**Hwee-bahl-you gahp
ddeh-moon-eh-yo.**

그럼 다음에 갑시다. Then let's go next time.

**Gue-roem dah-uem-eh
gahp-see-dah.**

그럼시다. Let's do that.

Gue-roep-see-dah.

시간

shee-gahn

time

약속

yahk-sohk

appointment

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